1	WORKERS' COMPENSATION FUND REVISIONS
2	2017 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble
5	House Sponsor: Val L. Peterson
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill repeals the statute creating the Workers' Compensation Fund and makes
0	conforming amendments.
1	Highlighted Provisions:
2	This bill:
3	<ul><li>repeals the statute creating the Workers' Compensation Fund;</li></ul>
4	<ul> <li>removes statutory references to the Workers' Compensation Fund;</li> </ul>
5	<ul> <li>addresses the obligation to write workers' compensation insurance and residual</li> </ul>
6	market mechanisms;
7	<ul> <li>provides for the Workers' Compensation Fund's transition to a mutual corporation;</li> </ul>
8	<ul> <li>modifies membership on the workers' compensation advisory council;</li> </ul>
)	<ul><li>addresses methods to obtain workers' compensation insurance;</li></ul>
0	<ul> <li>amends the provision addressing penalty for failure to obtain workers'</li> </ul>
1	compensation;
2	<ul> <li>modifies the provision addressing exemptions for employees temporarily in state;</li> </ul>
3	<ul> <li>addresses continuing education requirements for contractor licensees; and</li> </ul>
4	<ul> <li>makes technical and conforming amendments.</li> </ul>
5	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
)	None
7	Other Special Clauses:



28 This bill provides a special effective date. 29 This bill provides revisor instructions. 30 **Utah Code Sections Affected:** 31 AMENDS: 32 11-8-3, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 33 31A-1-105, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 34 **31A-15-103**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 238 31A-19a-401, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 35 **31A-21-101**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 297 36 37 **31A-22-309**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 162 38 31A-22-1001, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 39 **31A-26-103**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 40 31A-35-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 234 41 **31A-40-209**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapters 290 and 300 34A-2-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 90 42 43 34A-2-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 370 44 34A-2-107, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 242 34A-2-201, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 45 34A-2-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 347 46 **34A-2-210**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 375 47 48 34A-2-211, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 288 34A-2-406, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222 49 50 49-12-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 315 and 364 51 49-13-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 315 and 364 52 49-22-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 315 and 364 53 51-7-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 319 54 51-7-4, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 388 53-2a-802, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352 55 56 **58-55-302.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 260 57 **59-9-101**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135 58 63A-3-401, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 233 and 382

59	63E-1-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 223, 226, 283, and 411
60	63E-1-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 348
61	63I-4a-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 223, 226, 283, and 411
62	63J-2-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 120
63	63J-7-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 223, 226, 283, and 411
64	67-4-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222
65	ENACTS:
66	<b>31A-22-1014</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
67	49-11-624, Utah Code Annotated 1953
68	REPEALS:
69	31A-33-101, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 427
70	31A-33-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222
71	31A-33-103, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2000, Chapter 222
72	31A-33-103.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 427
73	31A-33-104, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 347
74	31A-33-105, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1998, Chapter 107
75	<b>31A-33-106</b> , as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 110 and 348
76	31A-33-107, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 110
77	31A-33-108, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2003, Chapter 252
78	31A-33-109, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 240
79	31A-33-110, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 204
80	31A-33-111, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1999, Chapter 130
81	31A-33-112, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 240
82	31A-33-113, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2001, Chapter 116
83	31A-33-114, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 240
84	31A-33-115, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 240
85	31A-33-116, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 1996, Chapter 240
86	31A-33-117, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1997, Chapter 375
87	31A-33-118, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1998, Chapter 107
88	<b>Utah Code Sections Affected by Revisor Instructions:</b>
89	31A-22-1001, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1985, Chapter 242

90	<b>31A-22-1014</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
91	<b>49-11-624</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
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93	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
94	Section 1. Section 11-8-3 is amended to read:
95	11-8-3. Department of Environmental Quality to negotiate loans for sewage
96	facilities.
97	(1) The Department of Environmental Quality may negotiate loans from the Retirement
98	Systems Fund, State Land Principal Fund, [Workers' Compensation Fund,] or any state trust
99	and agency fund which has sums available for loaning, as these funds are defined in Title 51,
100	Chapter 5, Funds Consolidation Act, not to exceed \$1,000,000 in any fiscal year for the
101	purposes of providing the funding for the loans provided for in Section 11-8-2.
102	(2) The terms of any borrowing and repayment shall be negotiated between the
103	borrower and the lender consistent with the legal duties of the lender.
104	Section 2. Section 31A-1-105 is amended to read:
105	31A-1-105. Presumption of jurisdiction.
106	(1) Any insurer[, including the Workers' Compensation Fund created under Chapter 33,
107	Workers' Compensation Fund,] that provides coverage of a resident of this state, property
108	located in this state, or a business activity conducted in this state, or that engages in any activity
109	described in Subsections 31A-15-102(2)(a) through (h), is:
110	(a) doing an insurance business in this state; and
111	(b) subject to the jurisdiction of the insurance commissioner and the courts of this state
112	under Sections 31A-2-309 and 31A-2-310 to the extent of that coverage or activity.
113	(2) Any person doing or purporting to do an insurance business in this state as defined
114	in Section 31A-1-301 is subject to the jurisdiction of the insurance commissioner and this title,
115	unless the insurer can establish that the exemptions of Section 31A-1-103 apply.
116	(3) This section does not limit the jurisdiction of the courts of this state under other
117	applicable law.
118	Section 3. Section 31A-15-103 is amended to read:
119	31A-15-103. Surplus lines insurance Unauthorized insurers.
120	(1) Notwithstanding Section 31A-15-102, a foreign insurer that has not obtained a

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- 121 certificate of authority to do business in this state under Section 31A-14-202 may negotiate for 122 and make an insurance contract with a person in this state and on a risk located in this state, 123 subject to the limitations and requirements of this section. 124 (2) (a) For a contract made under this section, the insurer may, in this state: 125 (i) inspect the risks to be insured; 126 (ii) collect premiums; 127 (iii) adjust losses; and 128 (iv) do another act reasonably incidental to the contract. 129 (b) An act described in Subsection (2)(a) may be done through: 130 (i) an employee; or 131 (ii) an independent contractor. 132 (3) (a) Subsections (1) and (2) do not permit a person to solicit business in this state on 133 behalf of an insurer that has no certificate of authority. (b) Insurance placed with a nonadmitted insurer shall be placed with a surplus lines 134 producer licensed under Chapter 23a, Insurance Marketing - Licensing Producers, Consultants, 135 136 and Reinsurance Intermediaries. 137 (c) The commissioner may by rule prescribe how a surplus lines producer may: 138 (i) pay or permit the payment, commission, or other remuneration on insurance placed 139 by the surplus lines producer under authority of the surplus lines producer's license to one 140 holding a license to act as an insurance producer; and 141 (ii) advertise the availability of the surplus lines producer's services in procuring, on 142 behalf of a person seeking insurance, a contract with a nonadmitted insurer. 143 (4) For a contract made under this section, a nonadmitted insurer is subject to Sections 144 31A-23a-402, 31A-23a-402.5, and 31A-23a-403 and the rules adopted under those sections. 145 (5) A nonadmitted insurer may not issue workers' compensation insurance coverage to 146 an employer located in this state, except for stop loss coverage issued to an employer securing 147 workers' compensation under Subsection 34A-2-201[(3)](2).
  - (b) The commissioner may by rule place a restriction or a limitation on and create

for a specified class of insurance if authorized insurers provide an established market for the

class in this state that is adequate and reasonably competitive.

(6) (a) The commissioner may by rule prohibit making a contract under Subsection (1)

152 special procedures for making a contract under Subsection (1) for a specified class of insurance 153 if: 154 (i) there have been abuses of placements in the class; or 155 (ii) the policyholders in the class, because of limited financial resources, business 156 experience, or knowledge, cannot protect their own interests adequately. 157 (c) The commissioner may prohibit an individual insurer from making a contract under 158 Subsection (1) and all insurance producers from dealing with the insurer if: 159 (i) the insurer willfully violates: 160 (A) this section; (B) Section 31A-4-102, 31A-23a-402, 31A-23a-402.5, or 31A-26-303; or 161 162 (C) a rule adopted under a section listed in Subsection (6)(c)(i)(A) or (B); (ii) the insurer fails to pay the fees and taxes specified under Section 31A-3-301; or 163 164 (iii) the commissioner has reason to believe that the insurer is: (A) in an unsound condition; 165 (B) operated in a fraudulent, dishonest, or incompetent manner; or 166 167 (C) in violation of the law of its domicile. 168 (d) (i) The commissioner may issue one or more lists of unauthorized foreign insurers 169 whose: 170 (A) solidity the commissioner doubts; or 171 (B) practices the commissioner considers objectionable. 172 (ii) The commissioner shall issue one or more lists of unauthorized foreign insurers the 173 commissioner considers to be reliable and solid. 174 (iii) In addition to the lists described in Subsections (6)(d)(i) and (ii), the commissioner 175 may issue other relevant evaluations of unauthorized insurers. 176 (iv) An action may not lie against the commissioner or an employee of the department 177 for a written or oral communication made in, or in connection with the issuance of, a list or 178 evaluation described in this Subsection (6)(d). 179 (e) A foreign unauthorized insurer shall be listed on the commissioner's "reliable" list 180 only if the unauthorized insurer:

(ii) establishes satisfactory evidence of good reputation and financial integrity;

(i) delivers a request to the commissioner to be on the list;

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183	(iii) (A) delivers to the commissioner a copy of the unauthorized insurer's current
184	annual statement certified by the insurer; and
185	(B) continues each subsequent year to file its annual statements with the commissioner
186	within 60 days of the day on which it is filed with the insurance regulatory authority where the
187	insurer is domiciled;
188	(iv) (A) (I) is in substantial compliance with the solvency standards in Chapter 17, Part
189	6, Risk-Based Capital, or maintains capital and surplus of at least \$15,000,000, whichever is
190	greater; and
191	(II) maintains in the United States an irrevocable trust fund in either a national bank or
192	a member of the Federal Reserve System, or maintains a deposit meeting the statutory deposit
193	requirements for insurers in the state where it is made, which trust fund or deposit:
194	(Aa) shall be in an amount not less than \$2,500,000 for the protection of all of the
195	insurer's policyholders in the United States;
196	(Bb) may consist of cash, securities, or investments of substantially the same character
197	and quality as those which are "qualified assets" under Section 31A-17-201; and
198	(Cc) may include as part of the trust arrangement a letter of credit that qualifies as
199	acceptable security under Section 31A-17-404.1; or
200	(B) in the case of any "Lloyd's" or other similar incorporated or unincorporated group
201	of alien individual insurers, maintains a trust fund that:
202	(I) shall be in an amount not less than \$50,000,000 as security to its full amount for all
203	policyholders and creditors in the United States of each member of the group;
204	(II) may consist of cash, securities, or investments of substantially the same character
205	and quality as those which are "qualified assets" under Section 31A-17-201; and
206	(III) may include as part of this trust arrangement a letter of credit that qualifies as
207	acceptable security under Section 31A-17-404.1; and
208	(v) for an alien insurer not domiciled in the United States or a territory of the United
209	States, is listed on the Quarterly Listing of Alien Insurers maintained by the National
210	Association of Insurance Commissioners International Insurers Department.
211	(7) (a) Subject to Subsection (7)(b), a surplus lines producer may not, either knowingly
212	or without reasonable investigation of the financial condition and general reputation of the
213	insurer, place insurance under this section with:

214	(1) a financially unsound insurer;
215	(ii) an insurer engaging in unfair practices; or
216	(iii) an otherwise substandard insurer.
217	(b) A surplus line producer may place insurance under this section with an insurer
218	described in Subsection (7)(a) if the surplus line producer:
219	(i) gives the applicant notice in writing of the known deficiencies of the insurer or the
220	limitations on the surplus line producer's investigation; and
221	(ii) explains the need to place the business with that insurer.
222	(c) A copy of the notice described in Subsection (7)(b) shall be kept in the office of the
223	surplus line producer for at least five years.
224	(d) To be financially sound, an insurer shall satisfy standards that are comparable to
225	those applied under the laws of this state to an authorized insurer.
226	(e) An insurer on the "doubtful or objectionable" list under Subsection (6)(d) or an
227	insurer not on the commissioner's "reliable" list under Subsection (6)(e) is presumed
228	substandard.
229	(8) (a) A policy issued under this section shall:
230	(i) include a description of the subject of the insurance; and
231	(ii) indicate:
232	(A) the coverage, conditions, and term of the insurance;
233	(B) the premium charged the policyholder;
234	(C) the premium taxes to be collected from the policyholder; and
235	(D) the name and address of the policyholder and insurer.
236	(b) If the direct risk is assumed by more than one insurer, the policy shall state:
237	(i) the names and addresses of all insurers; and
238	(ii) the portion of the entire direct risk each assumes.
239	(c) A policy issued under this section shall have attached or affixed to the policy the
240	following statement: "The insurer issuing this policy does not hold a certificate of authority to
241	do business in this state and thus is not fully subject to regulation by the Utah insurance
242	commissioner. This policy receives no protection from any of the guaranty associations created
243	under Title 31A, Chapter 28, Guaranty Associations."
244	(9) Upon placing a new or renewal coverage under this section, a surplus lines

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245	producer shall promptly deliver to the policyholder or the policyholder's agent evidence of the
246	insurance consisting either of:
247	(a) the policy as issued by the insurer; or
248	(b) if the policy is not available upon placing the coverage, a certificate, cover note, or
249	other confirmation of insurance complying with Subsection (8).
250	(10) If the commissioner finds it necessary to protect the interests of insureds and the
251	public in this state, the commissioner may by rule subject a policy issued under this section to
252	as much of the regulation provided by this title as is required for a comparable policy written
253	by an authorized foreign insurer.
254	(11) (a) A surplus lines transaction in this state shall be examined to determine whether
255	it complies with:

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  - (i) the surplus lines tax levied under Chapter 3, Department Funding, Fees, and Taxes;
  - (ii) the solicitation limitations of Subsection (3);
- 258 (iii) the requirement of Subsection (3) that placement be through a surplus lines 259 producer;
  - (iv) placement limitations imposed under Subsections (6)(a), (b), and (c); and
  - (v) the policy form requirements of Subsections (8) and (10).
  - (b) The examination described in Subsection (11)(a) shall take place as soon as practicable after the transaction. The surplus lines producer shall submit to the examiner information necessary to conduct the examination within a period specified by rule.
  - (c) (i) The examination described in Subsection (11)(a) may be conducted by the commissioner or by an advisory organization created under Section 31A-15-111 and authorized by the commissioner to conduct these examinations. The commissioner is not required to authorize an additional advisory organization to conduct an examination under this Subsection (11)(c).
  - (ii) The commissioner's authorization of one or more advisory organizations to act as examiners under this Subsection (11)(c) shall be:
    - (A) by rule; and

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- (B) evidenced by a contract, on a form provided by the commissioner, between the authorized advisory organization and the department.
- 275 (d) (i) (A) A person conducting the examination described in Subsection (11)(a) shall

collect a stamping fee of an amount not to exceed 1% of the policy premium payable in connection with the transaction.

- (B) A stamping fee collected by the commissioner shall be deposited in the General Fund.
  - (C) The commissioner shall establish a stamping fee by rule.

- (ii) A stamping fee collected by an advisory organization is the property of the advisory organization to be used in paying the expenses of the advisory organization.
- (iii) Liability for paying a stamping fee is as required under Subsection 31A-3-303(1) for taxes imposed under Section 31A-3-301.
- (iv) The commissioner shall adopt a rule dealing with the payment of stamping fees. If a stamping fee is not paid when due, the commissioner or advisory organization may impose a penalty of 25% of the stamping fee due, plus 1-1/2% per month from the time of default until full payment of the stamping fee.
- (v) A stamping fee relative to a policy covering a risk located partially in this state shall be allocated in the same manner as under Subsection 31A-3-303(4).
- (e) The commissioner, representatives of the department, advisory organizations, representatives and members of advisory organizations, authorized insurers, and surplus lines insurers are not liable for damages on account of statements, comments, or recommendations made in good faith in connection with their duties under this Subsection (11)(e) or under Section 31A-15-111.
- (f) An examination conducted under this Subsection (11) and a document or materials related to the examination are confidential.
- (12) (a) For a surplus lines insurance transaction in the state entered into on or after May 13, 2014, if an audit is required by the surplus lines insurance policy, a surplus lines insurer:
- (i) shall exercise due diligence to initiate an audit of an insured, to determine whether additional premium is owed by the insured, by no later than six months after the expiration of the term for which premium is paid; and
- (ii) may not audit an insured more than three years after the surplus lines insurance policy expires.
  - (b) A surplus lines insurer that does not comply with this Subsection (12) may not

307	charge or collect additional premium in excess of the premium agreed to under the surplus
308	lines insurance policy.
309	Section 4. Section 31A-19a-401 is amended to read:
310	31A-19a-401. Scope of part.
311	(1) This part applies to workers' compensation insurance and employers' liability
312	insurance written in connection with [it] workers' compensation insurance.
313	(2) [All insurers] An insurer writing workers' compensation coverage[, including the
314	Workers' Compensation Fund created under Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund, are] is
315	subject to this part.
316	Section 5. Section 31A-21-101 is amended to read:
317	31A-21-101. Scope of Chapters 21 and 22.
318	(1) Except as provided in Subsections (2) through (6), this chapter and Chapter 22,
319	Contracts in Specific Lines, apply to all insurance policies, applications, and certificates:
320	(a) delivered or issued for delivery in this state;
321	(b) on property ordinarily located in this state;
322	(c) on persons residing in this state when the policy is issued; or
323	(d) on business operations in this state.
324	(2) This chapter and Chapter 22, Contracts in Specific Lines, do not apply to:
325	(a) an exemption provided in Section 31A-1-103;
326	(b) an insurance policy procured under Sections 31A-15-103 and 31A-15-104;
327	(c) an insurance policy on business operations in this state:
328	(i) if:
329	(A) the contract is negotiated primarily outside this state; and
330	(B) the operations in this state are incidental or subordinate to operations outside this
331	state; and
332	(ii) except that insurance required by a Utah statute shall conform to the statutory
333	requirements; or
334	(d) other exemptions provided in this title.
335	(3) (a) Sections 31A-21-102, 31A-21-103, 31A-21-104, Subsections 31A-21-107(1)
336	and (3), and Sections 31A-21-306, 31A-21-308, 31A-21-312, and 31A-21-314 apply to ocean
337	marine and inland marine insurance.

338	(b) Section 31A-21-201 applies to inland marine insurance that is written according to
339	manual rules or rating plans.
340	(4) A group or blanket policy is subject to this chapter and Chapter 22, Contracts in
341	Specific Lines, except:
342	(a) a group or blanket policy outside the scope of this title under Subsection
343	31A-1-103(3)(h); and
344	(b) other exemptions provided under Subsection (5).
345	(5) The commissioner may by rule exempt any class of insurance contract or class of
346	insurer from any or all of the provisions of this chapter and Chapter 22, Contracts in Specific
347	Lines, if the interests of the Utah insureds, creditors, or the public would not be harmed by the
348	exemption.
349	(6) Workers' compensation insurance[, including that written by the Workers'
350	Compensation Fund created under Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund,] is subject to this
351	chapter and Chapter 22, Contracts in Specific Lines.
352	(7) Unless clearly inapplicable, any provision of this chapter or Chapter 22, Contracts
353	in Specific Lines, applicable to either a policy or a contract is applicable to both.
354	Section 6. Section 31A-22-309 is amended to read:
355	31A-22-309. Limitations, exclusions, and conditions to personal injury
356	protection.
357	(1) (a) A person who has or is required to have direct benefit coverage under a policy
358	which includes personal injury protection may not maintain a cause of action for general
359	damages arising out of personal injuries alleged to have been caused by an automobile
360	accident, except where the person has sustained one or more of the following:
361	(i) death;
362	(ii) dismemberment;
363	(iii) permanent disability or permanent impairment based upon objective findings;
364	(iv) permanent disfigurement; or
365	(v) medical expenses to a person in excess of \$3,000.
366	(b) Subsection (1)(a) does not apply to a person making an uninsured motorist claim.
367	(2) (a) Any insurer issuing personal injury protection coverage under this part may only
368	exclude from this coverage benefits:

(i) for any injury sustained by the insured while occupying another motor vehicle owned by or furnished for the regular use of the insured or a resident family member of the insured and not insured under the policy;

- (ii) for any injury sustained by any person while operating the insured motor vehicle without the express or implied consent of the insured or while not in lawful possession of the insured motor vehicle;
- (iii) to any injured person, if the person's conduct contributed to [his] the person's injury:
  - (A) by intentionally causing injury to [himself] the person; or
  - (B) while committing a felony;

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- (iv) for any injury sustained by any person arising out of the use of any motor vehicle while located for use as a residence or premises;
- (v) for any injury due to war, whether or not declared, civil war, insurrection, rebellion or revolution, or to any act or condition incident to any of the foregoing; or
- (vi) for any injury resulting from the radioactive, toxic, explosive, or other hazardous properties of nuclear materials.
- (b) [The provisions of this subsection do] This Subsection (2) does not limit the exclusions [which] that may be contained in other types of coverage.
- (3) The benefits payable to any injured person under Section 31A-22-307 are reduced by:
- (a) any benefits which that person receives or is entitled to receive as a result of an accident covered in this code under any workers' compensation or similar statutory plan; and
- (b) any amounts which that person receives or is entitled to receive from the United States or any of its agencies because that person is on active duty in the military service.
- (4) When a person injured is also an insured party under any other policy, including those policies complying with this part, primary coverage is given by the policy insuring the motor vehicle in use during the accident.
- (5) (a) Payment of the benefits provided for in Section 31A-22-307 shall be made on a monthly basis as expenses are incurred.
- (b) Benefits for any period are overdue if they are not paid within 30 days after the insurer receives reasonable proof of the fact and amount of expenses incurred during the

period. If reasonable proof is not supplied as to the entire claim, the amount supported by reasonable proof is overdue if not paid within 30 days after that proof is received by the insurer. Any part or all of the remainder of the claim that is later supported by reasonable proof is also overdue if not paid within 30 days after the proof is received by the insurer.

- (c) If the insurer fails to pay the expenses when due, these expenses shall bear interest at the rate of 1-1/2% per month after the due date.
- (d) The person entitled to the benefits may bring an action in contract to recover the expenses plus the applicable interest. If the insurer is required by the action to pay any overdue benefits and interest, the insurer is also required to pay a reasonable attorney's fee to the claimant.
- (6) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b), every policy providing personal injury protection coverage is subject to the following:
- (i) that where the insured under the policy is or would be held legally liable for the personal injuries sustained by any person to whom benefits required under personal injury protection have been paid by another insurer, [including the Workers' Compensation Fund created under Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund,] the insurer of the person who would be held legally liable shall reimburse the other insurer for the payment, but not in excess of the amount of damages recoverable; and
- (ii) that the issue of liability for that reimbursement and its amount shall be decided by mandatory, binding arbitration between the insurers.
- (b) There shall be no right of reimbursement between insurers under Subsection (6)(a) if the insurer of the person who would be held legally liable for the personal injuries sustained has tendered its policy limit.
- (c) (i) If the insurer of the person who would be held legally liable for the personal injuries sustained reimburses a no-fault insurer prior to settling a third party liability claim with an injured person and subsequently determines that some or all of the reimbursed amount is needed to settle a third party claim, the insurer of the person who would be held legally liable for the personal injuries sustained shall provide written notice to the no-fault insurer that some or all of the reimbursed amount is needed to settle a third party liability claim.
  - (ii) The written notice described under Subsection (6)(c)(i) shall:
  - (A) identify the amount of the reimbursement that is needed to settle a third party

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432	(B) provide notice to the no-fault insurer that the no-fault insurer has 15 days to return
433	the amount described in Subsection (6)(c)(ii)(A); and
434	(C) identify the third party liability insurer that the returned amount shall be paid to.
435	(iii) A no-fault insurer that receives a notice under this Subsection (6)(c) shall return
436	the portion of the reimbursement identified under Subsection (6)(c)(ii) to the third party
437	liability insurer identified under Subsection (6)(c)(ii)(C) within 15 business days from receipt
438	of a notice under this Subsection (6)(c).
439	Section 7. Section 31A-22-1001 is amended to read:
440	31A-22-1001. Obligation to write workers' compensation insurance.
441	(1) As used in this section, "Workers' Compensation Fund" means the mutual
442	corporation that is the successor to the quasi-public corporation created under Chapter 33,
443	Workers' Compensation Fund, which is the chapter repealed by this bill.
444	(2) The Workers' Compensation Fund [created under Chapter 33, Workers'
445	Compensation Fund,] shall write all workers' compensation insurance for which application is
446	made to the Workers' Compensation Fund[. This requirement does not apply to any other
447	insurer.] until the time designated by the commissioner, but no later than December 31, 2020.
448	As a condition of the rights granted under this Subsection (2), the Workers' Compensation
449	Fund agrees to provide notice by no later than July 1, 2018, if the Workers' Compensation
450	Fund does not intend to seek a contract under Subsection (3).
451	(3) (a) Before entering the contract required under Subsection (3)(b), the commissioner
452	shall work with the Workers' Compensation Fund and other workers' compensation insurance
453	carriers to determine what constitutes the residual market within this state. After consulting
454	with the Workers' Compensation Fund and other workers' compensation insurance carriers, the
455	commissioner shall make the final decision of how to define the residual market. As part of the
456	process of determining the residual market, the commissioner may make reasonable requests of
457	data from the Workers' Compensation Fund and other workers' compensation insurance
458	<u>carriers.</u>
459	(b) Beginning no later than January 1, 2021, the commissioner shall enter into a
460	contract with a workers' compensation insurance carrier to write all workers' compensation
461	insurance for which application is made to the workers' compensation insurance carrier.

462	(c) The commissioner shall comply with Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement
463	Code, in selecting the workers' compensation insurance carrier described in Subsection (3)(b).
464	Criteria the commissioner may consider include:
465	(i) the rating of the workers' compensation insurance carrier by a nationally recognized
466	statistical ratings organization;
467	(ii) the financial size category of the workers' compensation insurance carrier as
468	determined by a nationally recognized statistical ratings organization;
469	(iii) the length of time the workers' compensation insurance carrier has held a
470	certificate of authority and has been active in the Utah workers' compensation insurance
471	market; and
472	(iv) the workers' compensation insurance carrier's demonstration of the intent to
473	provide statewide:
474	(A) safety consultation, employer training ability, and accident prevention expertise;
475	(B) claims handling, medical case management, rehabilitation, cost containment, and
476	employee return to work capabilities; and
477	(C) physical offices and electronic access for the convenience of Utah employers and
478	employees.
479	(d) A contract entered into under this Subsection (3) shall:
480	(i) notwithstanding Section 63G-6a-1204, be for a term of at least 10 years;
481	(ii) provide for an option to renew the contract;
482	(iii) require a workers' compensation insurance carrier with whom the commissioner
483	contracts to provide notice that the workers' compensation carrier will not seek to renew the
484	contract at least three years before the end of the contract; and
485	(iv) contain other terms necessary to ensure that the workers' compensation insurance
486	carrier awarded the contract will provide workers' compensation insurance to the residual
487	market.
488	(4) The commissioner shall annually submit a written report in accordance with
489	Section 68-3-14 to the Business and Labor Interim Committee by no later than October 1 that:
490	(a) describes the status of the commissioner's activities under Subsection (3); and
491	(b) the need, if any, for legislation to address the residual market.
492	Section 8. Section 31A-22-1014 is enacted to read:

493	31A-22-1014. Conversion of Workers' Compensation Fund to mutual insurance
494	corporation.
495	(1) As used in this section, "Workers' Compensation Fund" means the mutual
496	corporation that is the successor to the quasi-public corporation created under Chapter 33,
497	Workers' Compensation Fund, which is the chapter repealed by this bill.
498	(2) As a consequence of the repeal of Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund,
499	effective January 1, 2018:
500	(a) The Workers' Compensation Fund shall convert from a quasi-public corporation to
501	a mutual insurance corporation subject to Chapter 5, Domestic Stock and Mutual Insurance
502	<u>Corporations.</u>
503	(b) On or before December 31, 2017, the Workers' Compensation Fund shall file
504	amended and restated articles of incorporation with the Department of Insurance and the
505	Division of Corporations and Commercial Code that comply with Chapter 5, Domestic Stock
506	and Mutual Insurance Corporations.
507	(c) Following the filing of the Workers' Compensation Fund's amended and restated
508	articles of incorporation, if the commissioner determines that the Workers' Compensation Fund
509	complies with Chapter 5, Domestic Stock and Mutual Insurance Corporations, the
510	commissioner shall:
511	(i) reissue a certificate of authority effective January 1, 2018, for the Workers'
512	Compensation Fund to write workers' compensation insurance in Utah as a mutual insurance
513	corporation; and
514	(ii) reauthorize the Workers' Compensation Fund's existing filings, rates, forms, or
515	other administrative matters on file with the department as a result of, or related to, Workers'
516	Compensation Fund's existing insurance business in the state, so that the filings, rates, forms,
517	or other administrative matters on file shall be effective January 1, 2018, with respect to the
518	Workers' Compensation Fund's insurance business activities as a mutual insurance corporation.
519	(d) The Workers' Compensation Fund may adopt and conduct business under any name
520	that complies with state law.
521	(3) Subject to Subsection (2), the commissioner may, because of the Workers'
522	Compensation Fund's developed status, waive or otherwise not impose requirements imposed
523	on mutual insurance corporations by Chapter 5, Domestic Stock and Mutual Insurance

524	Corporations, to facilitate the conversion of the Workers' Compensation Fund to a mutual
525	insurance corporation effective January 1, 2018, so long as the commissioner finds those
526	requirements unnecessary to protect policyholders and the public.
527	(4) (a) From and after the Workers' Compensation Fund's conversion to a mutual
528	insurance corporation, the Workers' Compensation Fund shall retain title to all assets of, and
529	remain responsible for all liabilities incurred by, the Workers' Compensation Fund as a
530	quasi-public corporation before the Workers' Compensation Fund conversion described in this
531	section.
532	(b) The state is not liable for the expenses, liabilities, or debts of:
533	(i) the mutual insurance company described in this section;
534	(ii) the nonprofit, quasi-public corporation that preceded the mutual insurance
535	company; or
536	(iii) a subsidiary or joint enterprise involving the mutual insurance company or
537	quasi-public corporation.
538	Section 9. Section <b>31A-26-103</b> is amended to read:
539	31A-26-103. Workers' compensation claims.
540	In addition to being subject to this and other chapters of this title, insurers writing
541	workers' compensation insurance in this state[, including the Workers' Compensation Fund
542	created under Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund,] are subject to the Labor Commission
543	with respect to claims for and payment of compensation and benefits.
544	Section 10. Section <b>31A-35-103</b> is amended to read:
545	31A-35-103. Exemption from other provisions of this title.
546	Bail bond agencies are exempted from:
547	(1) Chapter 3, Department Funding, Fees, and Taxes, except Section 31A-3-103;
548	(2) Chapter 4, Insurers in General, except Sections 31A-4-102, 31A-4-103, 31A-4-104,
549	and 31A-4-107;
550	(3) Chapter 5, Domestic Stock and Mutual Insurance Corporations, except Section
551	31A-5-103;
552	(4) Chapter 6a, Service Contracts;
553	(5) Chapter 6b, Guaranteed Asset Protection Waiver Act;
554	(6) Chapter 7, Nonprofit Health Service Insurance Corporations;

555	(7) Chapter 8, Health Maintenance Organizations and Limited Health Plans;
556	(8) Chapter 8a, Health Discount Program Consumer Protection Act;
557	(9) Chapter 9, Insurance Fraternals;
558	(10) Chapter 10, Annuities;
559	(11) Chapter 11, Motor Clubs;
560	(12) Chapter 12, State Risk Management Fund;
561	[(13) Chapter 13, Employee Welfare Funds and Plans;]
562	[ <del>(14)</del> ] <u>(13)</u> Chapter 14, Foreign Insurers;
563	[(15)] (14) Chapter 15, Unauthorized Insurers, Surplus Lines, and Risk Retention
564	Groups;
565	[(16)] (15) Chapter 16, Insurance Holding Companies;
566	[(17)] (16) Chapter 17, Determination of Financial Condition;
567	[ <del>(18)</del> ] <u>(17)</u> Chapter 18, Investments;
568	[(19)] (18) Chapter 19a, Utah Rate Regulation Act;
569	[(20)] (19) Chapter 20, Underwriting Restrictions;
570	[(21)] (20) Chapter 23b, Navigator License Act;
571	[(22)] (21) Chapter 25, Third Party Administrators;
572	[ <del>(23)</del> ] <u>(22)</u> Chapter 26, Insurance Adjusters;
573	[(24)] (23) Chapter 27, Delinquency Administrative Action Provisions;
574	[ <del>(25)</del> ] <u>(24)</u> Chapter 27a, Insurer Receivership Act;
575	[(26)] (25) Chapter 28, Guaranty Associations;
576	[(27)] (26) Chapter 30, Individual, Small Employer, and Group Health Insurance Act;
577	[ <del>(28)</del> ] <u>(27)</u> Chapter 31, Insurance Fraud Act;
578	[(29)] (28) Chapter 32a, Medical Care Savings Account Act;
579	[(30) Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund;]
580	[(31)] (29) Chapter 34, Voluntary Health Insurance Purchasing Alliance Act;
581	[ <del>(32)</del> ] <u>(30)</u> Chapter 36, Life Settlements Act;
582	[(33)] (31) Chapter 37, Captive Insurance Companies Act;
583	[(34)] (32) Chapter 37a, Special Purpose Financial Captive Insurance Company Act;
584	[(35)] (33) Chapter 38, Federal Health Care Tax Credit Program Act;
585	[(36)] (34) Chapter 39, Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact;

586	[ <del>(37)</del> ] (35) Chapter 40, Professional Employer Organization Licensing Act;
587	[(38)] (36) Chapter 41, Title Insurance Recovery, Education, and Research Fund Act;
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588	[ <del>(39)</del> ] (37) Chapter 42, Defined Contribution Risk Adjuster Act; and
589	[ <del>(40)</del> ] (38) Chapter 43, Small Employer Stop-Loss Insurance Act.
590	Section 11. Section <b>31A-40-209</b> is amended to read:
591	31A-40-209. Workers' compensation.
592	(1) In accordance with Section 34A-2-103, a client is responsible for securing workers'
593	compensation coverage for a covered employee.
594	(2) Subject to the requirements of Section 34A-2-103, if a professional employer
595	organization obtains or assists a client in obtaining workers' compensation insurance pursuant
596	to a professional employer agreement:
597	(a) the professional employer organization shall ensure that the client maintains and
598	provides workers' compensation coverage for a covered employee in accordance with
599	Subsection 34A-2-201(1) [or (2)] and rules of the Labor Commission, made in accordance with
600	Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act;
601	(b) the workers' compensation coverage may show the professional employer
602	organization as the named insured through a master policy, if:
603	(i) the client is shown as an insured by means of an endorsement for each individual
604	client;
605	(ii) the experience modification of a client is used; and
606	(iii) the insurer files the endorsement with the Division of Industrial Accidents as
607	directed by a rule of the Labor Commission, made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,
608	Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act;
609	(c) at the termination of the professional employer agreement, if requested by the
610	client, the insurer shall provide the client records regarding the loss experience related to
611	workers' compensation insurance provided to a covered employee pursuant to the professional
612	employer agreement; and
613	(d) the insurer shall notify a client if the workers' compensation coverage for the client
614	is terminated.
615	(3) In accordance with Section 34A-2-105, the exclusive remedy provisions of Section
616	34A-2-105 apply to both the client and the professional employer organization under a

617	professional employer agreement regulated under this chapter.
618	(4) Notwithstanding the other provisions in this section, an insurer may choose whether
619	to issue:
620	(a) a policy for a client; or
621	(b) a master policy with the client shown as an additional insured by means of an
622	individual endorsement.
623	Section 12. Section <b>34A-2-102</b> is amended to read:
624	34A-2-102. Definition of terms.
625	(1) As used in this chapter:
626	(a) "Average weekly wages" means the average weekly wages as determined under
627	Section 34A-2-409.
628	(b) "Award" means a final order of the commission as to the amount of compensation
629	due:
630	(i) an injured employee; or
631	(ii) a dependent of a deceased employee.
632	(c) "Compensation" means the payments and benefits provided for in this chapter or
633	Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.
634	(d) (i) "Decision" means a ruling of:
635	(A) an administrative law judge; or
636	(B) in accordance with Section 34A-2-801:
637	(I) the commissioner; or
638	(II) the Appeals Board.
639	(ii) "Decision" includes:
640	(A) an award or denial of a medical, disability, death, or other related benefit under this
641	chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act; or
642	(B) another adjudicative ruling in accordance with this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah
643	Occupational Disease Act.
644	(e) "Director" means the director of the division, unless the context requires otherwise.
645	(f) "Disability" means an administrative determination that may result in an entitlement
646	to compensation as a consequence of becoming medically impaired as to function. Disability
647	can be total or partial, temporary or permanent, industrial or nonindustrial.

648	(g) "Division" means the Division of Industrial Accidents.			
649	(h) "Impairment" is a purely medical condition reflecting an anatomical or functional			
650	abnormality or loss. Impairment may be either temporary or permanent, industrial or			
651	nonindustrial.			
652	(i) "Order" means an action of the commission that determines the legal rights, duties,			
653	privileges, immunities, or other interests of one or more specific persons, but not a class of			
654	persons.			
655	(j) (i) "Personal injury by accident arising out of and in the course of employment"			
656	includes an injury caused by the willful act of a third person directed against an employee			
657	because of the employee's employment.			
658	(ii) "Personal injury by accident arising out of and in the course of employment" does			
659	not include a disease, except as the disease results from the injury.			
660	(k) "Safe" and "safety," as applied to employment or a place of employment, means the			
661	freedom from danger to the life or health of employees reasonably permitted by the nature of			
662	the employment.			
663	[(1) "Workers' Compensation Fund" means the nonprofit, quasi-public corporation			
664	created in Title 31A, Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund.]			
665	(2) As used in this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act:			
666	(a) "Brother or sister" includes a half brother or sister.			
667	(b) "Child" includes:			
668	(i) a posthumous child; or			
669	(ii) a child legally adopted prior to an injury.			
670	Section 13. Section <b>34A-2-103</b> is amended to read:			
671	34A-2-103. Employers enumerated and defined Regularly employed			
672	Statutory employers Exceptions.			
673	(1) (a) The state, and each county, city, town, and school district in the state are			
674	considered employers under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.			
675	(b) For the purposes of the exclusive remedy in this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah			
676	Occupational Disease Act, prescribed in Sections 34A-2-105 and 34A-3-102, the state is			
677	considered to be a single employer and includes any office, department, agency, authority,			
678	commission, board, institution, hospital, college, university, or other instrumentality of the			

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- (2) (a) [Except as provided in Subsection (4)] Subject to the other provisions of this section, each person, including each public utility and each independent contractor, who regularly employs one or more workers or operatives in the same business, or in or about the same establishment, under any contract of hire, express or implied, oral or written, is considered an employer under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.
  - (b) As used in this Subsection (2):
- (i) "Independent contractor" means any person engaged in the performance of any work for another who, while so engaged, is:
  - (A) independent of the employer in all that pertains to the execution of the work;
  - (B) not subject to the routine rule or control of the employer;
  - (C) engaged only in the performance of a definite job or piece of work; and
- 691 (D) subordinate to the employer only in effecting a result in accordance with the employer's design.
  - (ii) "Regularly" includes all employments in the usual course of the trade, business, profession, or occupation of the employer, whether continuous throughout the year or for only a portion of the year.
  - (3) (a) The client under a professional employer organization agreement regulated under Title 31A, Chapter 40, Professional Employer Organization Licensing Act:
    - (i) is considered the employer of a covered employee; and
  - (ii) subject to Section 31A-40-209, shall secure workers' compensation benefits for a covered employee by complying with Subsection 34A-2-201(1) [or (2)] and commission rules.
  - (b) The division shall promptly inform the Insurance Department if the division has reason to believe that a professional employer organization is not in compliance with Subsection 34A-2-201(1) [or (2)] and commission rules.
  - (4) A domestic employer who does not employ one employee or more than one employee at least 40 hours per week is not considered an employer under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.
    - (5) (a) As used in this Subsection (5):
  - (i) (A) "Agricultural employer" means a person who employs agricultural labor as defined in Subsections 35A-4-206(1) and (2) and does not include employment as provided in

710 Subsection 35A-4-206(3)[; and].

(B) Notwithstanding Subsection (5)(a)(i)(A), only for purposes of determining who is a member of the employer's immediate family under Subsection (5)(a)(ii), if the agricultural employer is a corporation, partnership, or other business entity, "agricultural employer" means an officer, director, or partner of the business entity[;].

- (ii) "Employer's immediate family" means:
- 716 (A) an agricultural employer's:
- 717 (I) spouse;

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- 718 (II) grandparent;
- 719 (III) parent;
- 720 (IV) sibling;
- 721 (V) child;
- 722 (VI) grandchild;
- 723 (VII) nephew; or
- 724 (VIII) niece;
- (B) a spouse of any person provided in Subsections (5)(a)(ii)(A)(II) through (VIII); or
- 726 (C) an individual who is similar to those listed in Subsection (5)(a)(ii)(A) or (B) as defined by rules of the commission[; and].
  - (iii) "Nonimmediate family" means a person who is not a member of the employer's immediate family.
  - (b) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, an agricultural employer is not considered an employer of a member of the employer's immediate family.
  - (c) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, an agricultural employer is not considered an employer of a nonimmediate family employee if:
  - (i) for the previous calendar year the agricultural employer's total annual payroll for all nonimmediate family employees was less than \$8,000; or
  - (ii) (A) for the previous calendar year the agricultural employer's total annual payroll for all nonimmediate family employees was equal to or greater than \$8,000 but less than \$50,000; and
- (B) the agricultural employer maintains insurance that covers job-related injuries of the

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741	employer's nonimmediate family employees in at least the following amounts:
742	(I) \$300,000 liability insurance, as defined in Section 31A-1-301; and
743	(II) \$5,000 for health care benefits similar to benefits under health care insurance as
744	defined in Section 31A-1-301.
745	(d) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, an
746	agricultural employer is considered an employer of a nonimmediate family employee if:
747	(i) for the previous calendar year the agricultural employer's total annual payroll for all
748	nonimmediate family employees is equal to or greater than \$50,000; or
749	(ii) (A) for the previous year the agricultural employer's total payroll for nonimmediate
750	family employees was equal to or exceeds \$8,000 but is less than \$50,000; and
751	(B) the agricultural employer fails to maintain the insurance required under Subsection
752	(5)(c)(ii)(B).
753	(6) An employer of agricultural laborers or domestic servants who is not considered an
754	employer under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, may come under
755	this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, by complying with:
756	(a) this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act; and
757	(b) the rules of the commission.
758	(7) (a) (i) As used in this Subsection (7)(a), "employer" includes any of the following
759	persons that procures work to be done by a contractor notwithstanding whether or not the
760	person directly employs a person:
761	(A) a sole proprietorship;
762	(B) a corporation;
763	(C) a partnership;
764	(D) a limited liability company; or
765	(E) a person similar to one described in Subsections (7)(a)(i)(A) through (D).
766	(ii) If an employer procures any work to be done wholly or in part for the employer by
767	a contractor over whose work the employer retains supervision or control, and this work is a
768	part or process in the trade or business of the employer, the contractor, all persons employed by
769	the contractor, all subcontractors under the contractor, and all persons employed by any of
770	these subcontractors, are considered employees of the original employer for the purposes of

these subcontractors, are considered employees of the original employer for the purposes of

this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.

(b) Any person who is engaged in constructing, improving, repairing, or remodeling a residence that the person owns or is in the process of acquiring as the person's personal residence may not be considered an employee or employer solely by operation of Subsection (7)(a).

- (c) A partner in a partnership or an owner of a sole proprietorship is not considered an employee under Subsection (7)(a) if the employer who procures work to be done by the partnership or sole proprietorship obtains and relies on either:
- (i) a valid certification of the partnership's or sole proprietorship's compliance with Section 34A-2-201 indicating that the partnership or sole proprietorship secured the payment of workers' compensation benefits pursuant to Section 34A-2-201; or
- (ii) if a partnership or sole proprietorship with no employees other than a partner of the partnership or owner of the sole proprietorship, a workers' compensation coverage waiver issued pursuant to Part 10, Workers' Compensation Coverage Waivers Act, stating that:
- (A) the partnership or sole proprietorship is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, profession, or business; and
- (B) the partner or owner personally waives the partner's or owner's entitlement to the benefits of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, in the operation of the partnership or sole proprietorship.
- (d) A director or officer of a corporation is not considered an employee under Subsection (7)(a) if the director or officer is excluded from coverage under Subsection 34A-2-104(4).
- (e) A contractor or subcontractor is not an employee of the employer under Subsection (7)(a), if the employer who procures work to be done by the contractor or subcontractor obtains and relies on either:
- (i) a valid certification of the contractor's or subcontractor's compliance with Section 34A-2-201; or
- (ii) if a partnership, corporation, or sole proprietorship with no employees other than a partner of the partnership, officer of the corporation, or owner of the sole proprietorship, a workers' compensation coverage waiver issued pursuant to Part 10, Workers' Compensation Coverage Waivers Act, stating that:
  - (A) the partnership, corporation, or sole proprietorship is customarily engaged in an

803	independently established trade, occupation, profession, or business; and
804	(B) the partner, corporate officer, or owner personally waives the partner's, corporate
805	officer's, or owner's entitlement to the benefits of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah
806	Occupational Disease Act, in the operation of the partnership's, corporation's, or sole
807	proprietorship's enterprise under a contract of hire for services.
808	(f) (i) For purposes of this Subsection (7)(f), "eligible employer" means a person who:
809	(A) is an employer; and
810	(B) procures work to be done wholly or in part for the employer by a contractor,
811	including:
812	(I) all persons employed by the contractor;
813	(II) all subcontractors under the contractor; and
814	(III) all persons employed by any of these subcontractors.
815	(ii) Notwithstanding the other provisions in this Subsection (7), if the conditions of
816	Subsection (7)(f)(iii) are met, an eligible employer is considered an employer for purposes of
817	Section 34A-2-105 of the contractor, subcontractor, and all persons employed by the contractor
818	or subcontractor described in Subsection (7)(f)(i)(B).
819	(iii) Subsection (7)(f)(ii) applies if the eligible employer:
820	(A) under Subsection (7)(a) is liable for and pays workers' compensation benefits as an
821	original employer under Subsection (7)(a) because the contractor or subcontractor fails to
822	comply with Section 34A-2-201;
823	(B) (I) secures the payment of workers' compensation benefits for the contractor or
824	subcontractor pursuant to Section 34A-2-201;
825	(II) procures work to be done that is part or process of the trade or business of the
826	eligible employer; and
827	(III) does the following with regard to a written workplace accident and injury
828	reduction program that meets the requirements of Subsection 34A-2-111(3)(d):
829	(Aa) adopts the workplace accident and injury reduction program;
830	(Bb) posts the workplace accident and injury reduction program at the work site at
831	which the eligible employer procures work; and
832	(Cc) enforces the workplace accident and injury reduction program according to the
833	terms of the workplace accident and injury reduction program; or

834	(C) (I) obtains and relies on:		
835	(Aa) a valid certification described in Subsection (7)(c)(i) or (7)(e)(i);		
836	(Bb) a workers' compensation coverage waiver described in Subsection (7)(c)(ii) or		
837	(7)(e)(ii); or		
838	(Cc) proof that a director or officer is excluded from coverage under Subsection		
839	34A-2-104(4);		
840	(II) is liable under Subsection (7)(a) for the payment of workers' compensation benefits		
841	if the contractor or subcontractor fails to comply with Section 34A-2-201;		
842	(III) procures work to be done that is part or process in the trade or business of the		
843	eligible employer; and		
844	(IV) does the following with regard to a written workplace accident and injury		
845	reduction program that meets the requirements of Subsection 34A-2-111(3)(d):		
846	(Aa) adopts the workplace accident and injury reduction program;		
847	(Bb) posts the workplace accident and injury reduction program at the work site at		
848	which the eligible employer procures work; and		
849	(Cc) enforces the workplace accident and injury reduction program according to the		
850	terms of the workplace accident and injury reduction program.		
851	(8) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (8), "unincorporated entity" means an entity		
852	organized or doing business in the state that is not:		
853	(i) an individual;		
854	(ii) a corporation; or		
855	(iii) publicly traded.		
856	(b) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, an		
857	unincorporated entity that is required to be licensed under Title 58, Chapter 55, Utah		
858	Construction Trades Licensing Act, is presumed to be the employer of each individual who		
859	holds, directly or indirectly, an ownership interest in the unincorporated entity.		
860	Notwithstanding Subsection (7)(c) and Subsection 34A-2-104(3), the unincorporated entity		
861	shall provide the individual who holds the ownership interest workers' compensation coverage		
862	under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, unless the presumption is		
863	rebutted under Subsection (8)(c).		
864	(c) Pursuant to rules made by the commission in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3,		

803	Otan Administrative Rulemaking Act, an unincorporated entity may reput the presumption		
866	under Subsection (8)(b) for an individual by establishing by clear and convincing evidence that		
867	the individual:		
868	(i) is an active manager of the unincorporated entity;		
869	(ii) directly or indirectly holds at least an 8% ownership interest in the unincorporated		
870	entity; or		
871	(iii) is not subject to supervision or control in the performance of work by:		
872	(A) the unincorporated entity; or		
873	(B) a person with whom the unincorporated entity contracts.		
874	(d) As part of the rules made under Subsection (8)(c), the commission may define:		
875	(i) "active manager";		
876	(ii) "directly or indirectly holds at least an 8% ownership interest"; and		
877	(iii) "subject to supervision or control in the performance of work."		
878	(9) (a) As used in this Subsection (9), "home and community based services" means		
879	one or more of the following services provided to an individual with a disability or to the		
880	individual's family that helps prevent the individual with a disability from being placed in a		
881	more restrictive setting:		
882	(i) respite care;		
883	(ii) skilled nursing;		
884	(iii) nursing assistant services;		
885	(iv) home health aide services;		
886	(v) personal care and attendant services;		
887	(vi) other in-home care, such as support for the daily activities of the individual with a		
888	disability;		
889	(vii) specialized in-home training for the individual with a disability or a family		
890	member of the individual with a disability;		
891	(viii) specialized in-home support, coordination, and other supported living services;		
892	and		
893	(ix) other home and community based services unique to the individual with a		
894	disability or the family of the individual with a disability that help prevent the individual with a		
895	disability from being placed in a more restrictive setting.		

(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (4) and subject to Subsection (9)(c), an individual with a disability or designated representative of the individual with a disability is considered an employer under this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, of an individual who provides home and community based services if the individual with a disability or designated representative of the individual with a disability:

- (i) employs the individual to provide home and community based services for seven hours per week or more; and
- (ii) pays the individual providing the home and community based services from state or federal money received by the individual with a disability or designated representative of the individual with a disability to fund home and community based services, including through a person designated by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with Section 3504, Internal Revenue Code, as a fiduciary, agent, or other person who has the control, receipt, custody, or disposal of, or pays the wages of, the individual providing the home and community based services.
- (c) The state and federal money received by an individual with a disability or designated representative of an individual with a disability shall include the cost of the workers' compensation coverage required by this Subsection (9) in addition to the money necessary to fund the home and community based services that the individual with a disability or family of the individual with a disability is eligible to receive so that the home and community based services are not reduced in order to pay for the workers' compensation coverage required by this Subsection (9).
- (10) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (10), "federal executive agency" means an executive agency, as defined in 5 U.S.C. Sec. 105, of the federal government.
- (b) For purposes of determining whether two or more persons are considered joint employers under this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, an administrative ruling of a federal executive agency may not be considered a generally applicable law unless that administrative ruling is determined to be generally applicable by a court of law, or adopted by statute or rule.
  - (11) (a) As used in this Subsection (11):
  - (i) "Franchise" means the same as that term is defined in 16 C.F.R. Sec. 436.1.
  - (ii) "Franchisee" means the same as that term is defined in 16 C.F.R. Sec. 436.1.

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927	(iii) "Franchisor" means the same as that term is defined in 16 C.F.R. Sec. 436.1.			
928	(b) For purposes of this chapter, a franchisor is not considered to be an employer of:			
929	(i) a franchisee; or			
930	(ii) a franchisee's employee.			
931	(c) With respect to a specific claim for relief under this chapter made by a franchisee or			
932	a franchisee's employee, this Subsection (11) does not apply to a franchisor under a franchise			
933	that exercises a type or degree of control over the franchisee or the franchisee's employee not			
934	customarily exercised by a franchisor for the purpose of protecting the franchisor's trademarks			
935	and brand.			
936	Section 14. Section <b>34A-2-107</b> is amended to read:			
937	34A-2-107. Appointment of workers' compensation advisory council			
938	Composition Terms of members Duties Compensation.			
939	(1) The commissioner shall appoint a workers' compensation advisory council			
940	composed of:			
941	(a) the following voting members:			
942	(i) five employer representatives; and			
943	(ii) five employee representatives; and			
944	(b) the following nonvoting members:			
945	(i) a representative of the [Workers' Compensation Fund] workers' compensation			
946	insurance carrier that provides workers' compensation insurance under Section 31A-22-1001;			
947	(ii) a representative of a [private] workers' compensation insurance carrier different			
948	from the workers' compensation insurance carrier listed in Subsection (1)(b)(i);			
949	(iii) a representative of health care providers;			
950	(iv) the Utah insurance commissioner or the insurance commissioner's designee; and			
951	(v) the commissioner or the commissioner's designee.			
952	(2) Employers and employees shall consider nominating members of groups who			
953	historically may have been excluded from the council, such as women, minorities, and			
954	individuals with disabilities.			
955	(3) (a) Except as required by Subsection (3)(b), as terms of current council members			
956	expire, the commissioner shall appoint each new member or reappointed member to a two-year			
957	term beginning July 1 and ending June 30.			

(b) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (3)(a), the commissioner shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms of council members are staggered so that approximately half of the council is appointed every two years.

- (4) (a) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be appointed for the unexpired term.
- (b) The commissioner shall terminate the term of a council member who ceases to be representative as designated by the member's original appointment.
- (5) The council shall confer at least quarterly for the purpose of advising the commission, the division, and the Legislature on:
  - (a) the Utah workers' compensation and occupational disease laws;
  - (b) the administration of the laws described in Subsection (5)(a); and
  - (c) rules related to the laws described in Subsection (5)(a).
- (6) Regarding workers' compensation, rehabilitation, and reemployment of employees who acquire a disability because of an industrial injury or occupational disease the council shall:
  - (a) offer advice on issues requested by:
- 975 (i) the commission;

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- (ii) the division; and
- 977 (iii) the Legislature; and
- 978 (b) make recommendations to:
- 979 (i) the commission; and
- 980 (ii) the division.
  - (7) The council shall study how hospital costs may be reduced for purposes of medical benefits for workers' compensation. The council shall report to the Business and Labor Interim Committee the council's recommendations by no later than November 30, 2017.
  - (8) The commissioner or the commissioner's designee shall serve as the chair of the council and call the necessary meetings.
    - (9) The commission shall provide staff support to the council.
- 987 (10) A member may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service, but 988 may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance with:

989	(a) Section 63A-3-106;
990	(b) Section 63A-3-107; and
991	(c) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections 63A-3-106 and
992	63A-3-107.
993	Section 15. Section 34A-2-201 is amended to read:
994	34A-2-201. Employers to secure workers' compensation benefits for employees
995	Methods.
996	An employer shall secure the payment of workers' compensation benefits for its
997	employees by:
998	[(1) insuring, and keeping insured, the payment of this compensation with the Workers'
999	Compensation Fund;]
1000	$[\frac{(2)}{(1)}]$ insuring, and keeping insured, the payment of this compensation with $[\frac{(2)}{(1)}]$
1001	stock corporation or mutual association] an insurer authorized under Title 31A, Insurance
1002	Code, to transact the business of workers' compensation insurance in this state; or
1003	[(3)] (2) obtaining approval from the division in accordance with Section 34A-2-201.5
1004	to pay direct compensation as a self-insured employer in the amount, in the manner, and when
1005	due as provided for in this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act.
1006	Section 16. Section 34A-2-203 is amended to read:
1007	34A-2-203. Payment of premiums for workers' compensation.
1008	[(1) Until June 30, 2007, a department, commission, board, or other agency of the state
1009	shall pay the insurance premium on its employees direct to the Workers' Compensation Fund.]
1010	[ <del>(2) Beginning July 1, 2007, the</del> ]
1011	(1) The state shall secure the payment of workers' compensation benefits for its
1012	employees:
1013	(a) by:
1014	[(i) insuring, and keeping insured, the payment of this compensation with the Workers'
1015	Compensation Fund;]
1016	[(ii)] (i) insuring, and keeping insured, the payment of this compensation with [any
1017	stock corporation or mutual association] an insurer authorized under Title 31A, Insurance
1018	Code, to transact the business of workers' compensation insurance in this state; or
1019	[(iii)] (ii) paying direct compensation as a self-insured employer in the amount, in the

manner, and when due as provided for in this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease
Act;

- (b) in accordance with Title 63A, Chapter 4, Risk Management; and
- 1023 (c) subject to Subsection [(3)] (2).

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- [(3)] (2) (a) If the state determines to secure the payment of workers' compensation benefits for its employees by paying direct compensation as a self-insured employer in the amount, in the manner, and due as provided for in this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, the state is:
  - (i) exempt from Section 34A-2-202.5 and Subsection 34A-2-704(14); and
- (ii) required to pay a premium assessment as provided in Section 34A-2-202.
  - (b) If the state chooses to pay workers' compensation benefits for its employees through insuring under Subsection [(2)] (1)(a)(i) [or (ii)], the state shall obtain that insurance in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code.
    - Section 17. Section 34A-2-210 is amended to read:

## 34A-2-210. Power to bring suit for noncompliance.

- (1) (a) The commission or the division on behalf of the commission may maintain a suit in any court of the state to enjoin any employer, within this chapter or Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, from further operation of the employer's business, when the employer fails to provide for the payment of benefits in one of the [three] ways provided in Section 34A-2-201.
- (b) Upon a showing of failure to provide for the payment of benefits, the court shall enjoin the further operation of the employer's business until the payment of these benefits has been secured by the employer as required by Section 34A-2-201. The court may enjoin the employer without requiring bond from the commission or division.
- (2) If the division has reason to believe that an employer is conducting a business without securing the payment of compensation in one of the [three] ways provided in Section 34A-2-201, the division may give the employer five days written notice by registered mail of the noncompliance and if the employer within the five days written notice does not remedy the default:
- 1049 (a) the commission or the division on behalf of the commission may file suit under 1050 Subsection (1); and

1051 (b) the court may, ex parte, issue without bond a temporary injunction restraining the 1052 further operation of the employer's business. 1053 Section 18. Section **34A-2-211** is amended to read: 1054 34A-2-211. Notice of noncompliance to employer -- Enforcement power of 1055 division -- Penalty. 1056 (1) (a) In addition to the remedies specified in Section 34A-2-210, if the division has 1057 reason to believe that an employer is conducting business without securing the payment of 1058 benefits in a manner provided in Section 34A-2-201, the division may give that employer 1059 written notice of the noncompliance by certified mail to the last-known address of the 1060 employer. 1061 (b) If the employer does not remedy the default within 15 days after the day on which the notice is delivered, the division may issue an order requiring the employer to appear before 1062 1063 the division and show cause why the employer should not be ordered to comply with Section 1064 34A-2-201. 1065 (c) If the division finds that an employer has failed to provide for the payment of benefits in a manner provided in Section 34A-2-201, the division may require the employer to 1066 1067 comply with Section 34A-2-201. 1068 (2) (a) Notwithstanding Subsection (1), the division may impose a penalty against the 1069 employer under this Subsection (2): (i) subject to Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act: and 1070 1071 (ii) if the division believes that an employer of one or more employees is conducting 1072 business without securing the payment of benefits in a manner provided in Section 34A-2-201. 1073 (b) The penalty imposed under Subsection (2)(a) shall be the greater of: 1074 (i) \$1,000; or 1075 (ii) three times the amount of the premium the employer would have paid for workers' 1076 compensation insurance based on the rate filing of the [Workers' Compensation Fund] workers' 1077 compensation insurance carrier that provides workers' compensation insurance under Section 31A-22-1001, during the period of noncompliance. 1078 1079 (c) For purposes of Subsection (2)(b)(ii):

(i) the premium is calculated by applying rates and rate multipliers to the payroll basis

under Subsection (2)(c)(ii), using the highest rated employee class code applicable to the

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- (ii) the payroll basis is 150% of the state's average weekly wage multiplied by the highest number of workers employed by the employer during the period of the employer's noncompliance multiplied by the number of weeks of the employer's noncompliance up to a maximum of 156 weeks.
  - (3) A penalty imposed under Subsection (2) shall be:
  - (a) deposited in the Uninsured Employers' Fund created by Section 34A-2-704;
- 1089 (b) used for the purposes of the Uninsured Employers' Fund specified in Section 1090 34A-2-704; and
- 1091 (c) collected by the Uninsured Employers' Fund administrator in accordance with 1092 Section 34A-2-704.
  - (4) (a) An employer who disputes a determination, imposition, or amount of a penalty imposed under Subsection (2) shall request a hearing before an administrative law judge within 30 days of the date of issuance of the administrative action imposing the penalty or the administrative action becomes a final order of the commission.
  - (b) An employer's request for a hearing under Subsection (4)(a) shall specify the facts and grounds that are the basis of the employer's objection to the determination, imposition, or amount of the penalty.
  - (c) An administrative law judge's decision under this Subsection (4) may be reviewed pursuant to Part 8, Adjudication.
    - (5) An administrative action issued by the division under this section shall:
- 1103 (a) be in writing;
  - (b) be sent by certified mail to the last-known address of the employer;
  - (c) state the findings and administrative action of the division; and
- (d) specify its effective date, which may be:
- 1107 (i) immediate; or
- 1108 (ii) at a later date.
- 1109 (6) A final order of the commission under this section, upon application by the 1110 commission made on or after the effective date of the order to a court of general jurisdiction in 1111 any county in this state, may be enforced by an order to comply:
- 1112 (a) entered ex parte; and

1113	(b) without notice by the court.
1114	Section 19. Section <b>34A-2-406</b> is amended to read:
1115	34A-2-406. Exemptions from chapter for employees temporarily in state
1116	Conditions Evidence of insurance.
1117	(1) Any employee who has been hired in another state and the employee's employer are
1118	exempt from this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational Disease Act, while the employee is
1119	temporarily within this state doing work for the employee's employer if:
1120	(a) the employer has furnished workers' compensation insurance coverage under the
1121	workers' compensation or similar laws of the other state;
1122	(b) the coverage covers the employee's employment while in this state; and
1123	(c) (i) the extraterritorial provisions of this chapter and Chapter 3, Utah Occupational
1124	Disease Act, are recognized in the other state and employers and employees who are covered in
1125	this state are likewise exempted from the application of the workers' compensation or similar
1126	laws of the other state; or
1127	(ii) the [Workers' Compensation Fund] workers' compensation insurance carrier that
1128	provides workers' compensation insurance under Section 31A-22-1001:
1129	(A) is an admitted insurance carrier in the other state; or
1130	(B) has agreements with [a] an insurance carrier and is able to furnish workers'
1131	compensation insurance or similar coverage to Utah employers and their subsidiaries or
1132	affiliates doing business in the other state.
1133	(2) The benefits under the workers' compensation or similar laws of the other state are
1134	the exclusive remedy against an employer for any injury, whether resulting in death or not,
1135	received by an employee while working for the employer in this state.
1136	(3) A certificate from an authorized officer of the industrial commission or similar
1137	department of the other state certifying that the employer is insured in the other state and has
1138	provided extraterritorial coverage insuring the employer's employees while working in this
1139	state is prima facie evidence that the employer carries compensation insurance.
1140	Section 20. Section 49-11-624 is enacted to read:
1141	49-11-624. Withdrawing entity Participation election date Withdrawal costs
1142	Rulemaking.
1143	(1) As used in this section, "withdrawing entity" means the mutual corporation that is

1144	the successor to the quasi-public corporation created under Chapter 33, Workers'
1145	Compensation Fund, which is the chapter repealed by this bill.
1146	(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, a withdrawing entity may provide
1147	for the participation of its employees with that system or plan as follows:
1148	(a) the withdrawing entity shall determine a date that is no later than January 1, 2018,
1149	on which the withdrawing entity shall make an election under Subsection (3); and
1150	(b) subject to Subsection (6), the withdrawing entity shall pay to the office any
1151	reasonable actuarial and administrative costs determined by the office to have arisen out of an
1152	election made under this section.
1153	(3) The withdrawing entity described under Subsection (2) may elect to:
1154	(a) (i) continue its participation for all current employees of the withdrawing entity,
1155	who are covered by a system or plan as of the date set under Subsection (2)(a); and
1156	(ii) withdraw from participation in all systems or plans for all persons initially entering
1157	employment with the withdrawing entity, beginning on the date set under Subsection (2)(a); or
1158	(b) withdraw from participation in all systems or plans for all current and future
1159	employees of the withdrawing entity, beginning on the date set under Subsection (2)(a).
1160	(4) (a) An election provided under Subsection (3):
1161	(i) is a one-time election made no later than the date specified under Subsection (2)(a);
1162	(ii) shall be documented by a resolution adopted by the governing body of the
1163	withdrawing entity;
1164	(iii) is irrevocable; and
1165	(iv) applies to the withdrawing entity as the employer and to all employees of the
1166	withdrawing entity.
1167	(b) Notwithstanding an election made under Subsection (3), any eligibility for service
1168	credit earned by an employee under this title before the date specified under Subsection (2)(a)
1169	is not affected by this section.
1170	(5) If a withdrawing entity elects to continue participation under Subsection (3), the
1171	withdrawing entity shall continue to be subject to the laws and the rules governing the system
1172	or plan in which an employee participates, including the accrual of service credit and payment
1173	of contributions.
1174	(6) Before a withdrawing entity may withdraw under this section, the withdrawing

11/3	entity and the office shan enter into an agreement on:
1176	(a) the costs described under Subsection (2)(b); and
1177	(b) arrangements for the payment of the costs described under Subsection (2)(b).
1178	(7) The board shall make rules to implement this section.
1179	Section 21. Section 49-12-203 is amended to read:
1180	49-12-203. Exclusions from membership in system.
1181	(1) The following employees are not eligible for service credit in this system:
1182	(a) subject to the requirements of Subsection (2), an employee whose employment
1183	status is temporary in nature due to the nature or the type of work to be performed;
1184	(b) except as provided under Subsection (3)(a), an employee of an institution of higher
1185	education who participates in a retirement system with a public or private retirement system,
1186	organization, or company designated by the State Board of Regents during any period in which
1187	required contributions based on compensation have been paid on behalf of the employee by the
1188	employer;
1189	(c) an employee serving as an exchange employee from outside the state;
1190	(d) an executive department head of the state, a member of the State Tax Commission,
1191	the Public Service Commission, and a member of a full-time or part-time board or commission
1192	who files a formal request for exemption;
1193	(e) an employee of the Department of Workforce Services who is covered under
1194	another retirement system allowed under Title 35A, Chapter 4, Employment Security Act;
1195	(f) an employee who is employed on or after July 1, 2009, with an employer that has
1196	elected, prior to July 1, 2009, to be excluded from participation in this system under Subsection
1197	49-12-202(2)(c);
1198	(g) an employee who is employed on or after July 1, 2014, with an employer that has
1199	elected, prior to July 1, 2014, to be excluded from participation in this system under Subsection
1200	49-12-202(2)(d); [ <del>or</del> ]
1201	(h) an employee who is employed with a withdrawing entity that has elected <u>under</u>
1202	Section 49-11-623, prior to January 1, 2017, to exclude:
1203	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-623(3)(a);
1204	or
1205	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection

1206	49-11-623(3)(b)[ <del>-</del> ]; or
1207	(i) an employee described in Subsection (1)(i)(i) or (ii) who is employed with a
1208	withdrawing entity that has elected under Section 49-11-624, before January 1, 2018, to
1209	exclude:
1210	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(a);
1211	<u>or</u>
1212	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(b).
1213	(2) If an employee whose status is temporary in nature due to the nature of type of
1214	work to be performed:
1215	(a) is employed for a term that exceeds six months and the employee otherwise
1216	qualifies for service credit in this system, the participating employer shall report and certify to
1217	the office that the employee is a regular full-time employee effective the beginning of the
1218	seventh month of employment; or
1219	(b) was previously terminated prior to being eligible for service credit in this system
1220	and is reemployed within three months of termination by the same participating employer, the
1221	participating employer shall report and certify that the member is a regular full-time employee
1222	when the total of the periods of employment equals six months and the employee otherwise
1223	qualifies for service credits in this system.
1224	(3) (a) Upon cessation of the participating employer contributions, an employee under
1225	Subsection (1)(b) is eligible for service credit in this system.
1226	(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection (1)(f), any eligibility for service
1227	credit earned by an employee under this chapter before July 1, 2009 is not affected under
1228	Subsection (1)(f).
1229	(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection (1)(g), any eligibility for service
1230	credit earned by an employee under this chapter before July 1, 2014, is not affected under
1231	Subsection (1)(g).
1232	(4) Upon filing a written request for exemption with the office, the following
1233	employees shall be exempt from coverage under this system:
1234	(a) a full-time student or the spouse of a full-time student and individuals employed in
1235	a trainee relationship;
1236	(b) an elected official;

1237	(c) an executive department head of the state, a member of the State Tax Commission,
1238	a member of the Public Service Commission, and a member of a full-time or part-time board or
1239	commission;
1240	(d) an employee of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget;
1241	(e) an employee of the Governor's Office of Economic Development;
1242	(f) an employee of the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice;
1243	(g) an employee of the Governor's Office;
1244	(h) an employee of the State Auditor's Office;
1245	(i) an employee of the State Treasurer's Office;
1246	(j) any other member who is permitted to make an election under Section 49-11-406;
1247	(k) a person appointed as a city manager or chief city administrator or another person
1248	employed by a municipality, county, or other political subdivision, who is an at-will employee;
1249	and
1250	(l) an employee of an interlocal cooperative agency created under Title 11, Chapter 13,
1251	Interlocal Cooperation Act, who is engaged in a specialized trade customarily provided through
1252	membership in a labor organization that provides retirement benefits to its members.
1253	(5) (a) Each participating employer shall prepare a list designating those positions
1254	eligible for exemption under Subsection (4).
1255	(b) An employee may not be exempted unless the employee is employed in an
1256	exempted position designated by the participating employer.
1257	(6) (a) In accordance with this section, Section 49-13-203, and Section 49-22-205, a
1258	municipality, county, or political subdivision may not exempt a total of more than 50 positions
1259	or a number equal to 10% of the employees of the municipality, county, or political
1260	subdivision, whichever is less.
1261	(b) A municipality, county, or political subdivision may exempt at least one regular
1262	full-time employee.
1263	(7) Each participating employer shall:
1264	(a) file employee exemptions annually with the office; and
1265	(b) update the employee exemptions in the event of any change.
1266	(8) The office may make rules to implement this section.
1267	Section 22. Section 49-13-203 is amended to read:

1268	49-13-203. Exclusions from membership in system.
1269	(1) The following employees are not eligible for service credit in this system:
1270	(a) subject to the requirements of Subsection (2), an employee whose employment
1271	status is temporary in nature due to the nature or the type of work to be performed;
1272	(b) except as provided under Subsection (3)(a), an employee of an institution of higher
1273	education who participates in a retirement system with a public or private retirement system,
1274	organization, or company designated by the State Board of Regents during any period in which
1275	required contributions based on compensation have been paid on behalf of the employee by the
1276	employer;
1277	(c) an employee serving as an exchange employee from outside the state;
1278	(d) an executive department head of the state or a legislative director, senior executive
1279	employed by the governor's office, a member of the State Tax Commission, a member of the
1280	Public Service Commission, and a member of a full-time or part-time board or commission
1281	who files a formal request for exemption;
1282	(e) an employee of the Department of Workforce Services who is covered under
1283	another retirement system allowed under Title 35A, Chapter 4, Employment Security Act;
1284	(f) an employee who is employed with an employer that has elected to be excluded
1285	from participation in this system under Subsection 49-13-202(5), effective on or after the date
1286	of the employer's election under Subsection 49-13-202(5); [or]
1287	(g) an employee who is employed with a withdrawing entity that has elected <u>under</u>
1288	Section 49-11-623, prior to January 1, 2017, to exclude:
1289	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-623(3)(a):
1290	or
1291	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection
1292	49-11-623(3)(b)[ <del>-</del> ]; or
1293	(h) an employee described in Subsection (1)(h)(i) or (ii) who is employed with a
1294	withdrawing entity that has elected under Section 49-11-624, before January 1, 2018, to
1295	exclude:
1296	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(a):
1297	<u>or</u>
1298	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(b).

1299 (2) If an employee whose status is temporary in nature due to the nature of type of work to be performed:

- (a) is employed for a term that exceeds six months and the employee otherwise qualifies for service credit in this system, the participating employer shall report and certify to the office that the employee is a regular full-time employee effective the beginning of the seventh month of employment; or
- (b) was previously terminated prior to being eligible for service credit in this system and is reemployed within three months of termination by the same participating employer, the participating employer shall report and certify that the member is a regular full-time employee when the total of the periods of employment equals six months and the employee otherwise qualifies for service credits in this system.
- (3) (a) Upon cessation of the participating employer contributions, an employee under Subsection (1)(b) is eligible for service credit in this system.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection (1)(f), any eligibility for service credit earned by an employee under this chapter before the date of the election under Subsection 49-13-202(5) is not affected under Subsection (1)(f).
- (4) Upon filing a written request for exemption with the office, the following employees shall be exempt from coverage under this system:
- (a) a full-time student or the spouse of a full-time student and individuals employed in a trainee relationship;
  - (b) an elected official;

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- (c) an executive department head of the state, a member of the State Tax Commission, a member of the Public Service Commission, and a member of a full-time or part-time board or commission;
  - (d) an employee of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget;
- (e) an employee of the Governor's Office of Economic Development;
- (f) an employee of the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice;
- 1326 (g) an employee of the Governor's Office;
- (h) an employee of the State Auditor's Office;
- 1328 (i) an employee of the State Treasurer's Office;
- 1329 (j) any other member who is permitted to make an election under Section 49-11-406;

1330	(k) a person appointed as a city manager or chief city administrator or another person
1331	employed by a municipality, county, or other political subdivision, who is an at-will employee;
1332	(l) an employee of an interlocal cooperative agency created under Title 11, Chapter 13,
1333	Interlocal Cooperation Act, who is engaged in a specialized trade customarily provided through
1334	membership in a labor organization that provides retirement benefits to its members; and
1335	(m) an employee of the Utah Science Technology and Research Initiative created under
1336	Title 63M, Chapter 2, Utah Science Technology and Research Governing Authority Act.
1337	(5) (a) Each participating employer shall prepare a list designating those positions
1338	eligible for exemption under Subsection (4).
1339	(b) An employee may not be exempted unless the employee is employed in a position
1340	designated by the participating employer.
1341	(6) (a) In accordance with this section, Section 49-12-203, and Section 49-22-205, a
1342	municipality, county, or political subdivision may not exempt a total of more than 50 positions
1343	or a number equal to 10% of the employees of the municipality, county, or political
1344	subdivision, whichever is less.
1345	(b) A municipality, county, or political subdivision may exempt at least one regular
1346	full-time employee.
1347	(7) Each participating employer shall:
1348	(a) file employee exemptions annually with the office; and
1349	(b) update the employee exemptions in the event of any change.
1350	(8) The office may make rules to implement this section.
1351	Section 23. Section 49-22-203 is amended to read:
1352	49-22-203. Exclusions from membership in system.
1353	(1) The following employees are not eligible for service credit in this system:
1354	(a) subject to the requirements of Subsection (2), an employee whose employment
1355	status is temporary in nature due to the nature or the type of work to be performed;
1356	(b) except as provided under Subsection (3), an employee of an institution of higher
1357	education who participates in a retirement system with a public or private retirement system,
1358	organization, or company designated by the State Board of Regents during any period in which
1359	required contributions based on compensation have been paid on behalf of the employee by the
1360	employer;

1301	(c) an employee serving as an exchange employee from outside the state;
1362	(d) an employee of the Department of Workforce Services who is covered under
1363	another retirement system allowed under Title 35A, Chapter 4, Employment Security Act;
1364	(e) an employee who is employed with a withdrawing entity that has elected <u>under</u>
1365	Section 49-11-623, prior to January 1, 2017, to exclude:
1366	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-623(3)(a);
1367	or
1368	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-623(3)(b);
1369	[or]
1370	(f) a person who files a written request for exemption with the office under Section
1371	49-22-205[ <del>-</del> ]; or
1372	(g) an employee described in Subsection (1)(g)(i) or (ii) who is employed with a
1373	withdrawing entity that has elected under Section 49-11-624, before January 1, 2018, to
1374	exclude:
1375	(i) new employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(a);
1376	<u>or</u>
1377	(ii) all employees from participation in this system under Subsection 49-11-624(3)(b).
1378	(2) If an employee whose status is temporary in nature due to the nature of type of
1379	work to be performed:
1380	(a) is employed for a term that exceeds six months and the employee otherwise
1381	qualifies for service credit in this system, the participating employer shall report and certify to
1382	the office that the employee is a regular full-time employee effective the beginning of the
1383	seventh month of employment; or
1384	(b) was previously terminated prior to being eligible for service credit in this system
1385	and is reemployed within three months of termination by the same participating employer, the
1386	participating employer shall report and certify that the member is a regular full-time employee
1387	when the total of the periods of employment equals six months and the employee otherwise
1388	qualifies for service credits in this system.
1389	(3) Upon cessation of the participating employer contributions, an employee under
1390	Subsection (1)(b) is eligible for service credit in this system.
1391	Section 24. Section <b>51-7-2</b> is amended to read:

1392	51-7-2. Exemptions from chapter.
1393	The following funds are exempt from this chapter:
1394	(1) funds invested in accordance with the participating employees' designation or
1395	direction pursuant to a public employees' deferred compensation plan established and operated
1396	in compliance with Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
1397	[(2) funds of the Workers' Compensation Fund;]
1398	[(3)] (2) funds of the Utah State Retirement Board;
1399	[ <del>(4)</del> ] <u>(3)</u> funds of the Utah Housing Corporation;
1400	[(5)] (4) endowment funds of higher education institutions;
1401	[(6)] (5) permanent and other land grant trust funds established pursuant to the Utah
1402	Enabling Act and the Utah Constitution;
1403	[ <del>(7)</del> ] <u>(6)</u> the State Post-Retirement Benefits Trust Fund;
1404	[ <del>(8)</del> ] <u>(7)</u> the funds of the Utah Educational Savings Plan;
1405	[(9)] (8) funds of the permanent state trust fund created by and operated under Utah
1406	Constitution, Article XXII, Section 4; and
1407	[(10)] (9) the funds in the Navajo Trust Fund.
1408	Section 25. Section 51-7-4 is amended to read:
1409	51-7-4. Transfer of functions, powers, and duties relating to public funds to state
1410	treasurer Exceptions Deposit of income from investment of state money.
1411	(1) Unless otherwise required by the Utah Constitution or applicable federal law, the
1412	functions, powers, and duties vested by law in each state officer, board, commission,
1413	institution, department, division, agency, or other similar instrumentality relating to the deposit
1414	investment, or reinvestment of public funds, and the purchase, sale, or exchange of investments
1415	or securities of, or for, funds or accounts under the control and management of each of these
1416	instrumentalities, are transferred to and shall be exercised by the state treasurer, except:
1417	(a) funds assigned to the Utah State Retirement Board for investment under Section
1418	49-11-302;
1419	(b) funds of member institutions of the state system of higher education:
1420	(i) acquired by gift, devise, or bequest, or by federal or private contract or grant;
1421	(ii) derived from student fees or from income from operations of auxiliary enterprises,
1422	which fees and income are pledged or otherwise dedicated to the payment of interest and

1423	principal of bonds issued by an institution of higher education;
1424	(iii) subject to rules made by the council, under Section 51-7-18, deposited in a foreign
1425	depository institution as defined in Section 7-1-103; and
1426	(iv) other funds that are not included in the institution's work program as approved by
1427	the State Board of Regents;
1428	(c) inmate funds as provided in Section 64-13-23 or in Title 64, Chapter 9b, Work
1429	Programs for Prisoners;
1430	(d) trust funds established by judicial order;
1431	[(e) funds of the Workers' Compensation Fund;]
1432	[(f)] (e) funds of the Utah Housing Corporation;
1433	[(g)] (f) endowment funds of higher education institutions; and
1434	[(h)] (g) the funds of the Utah Educational Savings Plan.
1435	(2) All public funds held or administered by the state or its boards, commissions,
1436	institutions, departments, divisions, agencies, or similar instrumentalities and not transferred to
1437	the state treasurer as provided by this section shall be:
1438	(a) deposited and invested by the custodian in accordance with this chapter, unless
1439	otherwise required by statute or by applicable federal law; and
1440	(b) reported to the state treasurer in a form prescribed by the state treasurer.
1441	(3) Unless otherwise provided by the constitution or laws of this state or by contractual
1442	obligation, the income derived from the investment of state money by the state treasurer shall
1443	be deposited in and become part of the General Fund.
1444	Section 26. Section 53-2a-802 is amended to read:
1445	53-2a-802. Definitions.
1446	(1) (a) "Absent" means:
1447	(i) not physically present or not able to be communicated with for 48 hours; or
1448	(ii) for local government officers, as defined by local ordinances.
1449	(b) "Absent" does not include a person who can be communicated with via telephone,
1450	radio, or telecommunications.
1451	(2) "Department" means the Department of Administrative Services, the Department of
1452	Agriculture and Food, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, the Department of
1453	Commerce, the Department of Heritage and Arts, the Department of Corrections, the

1454 Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Financial Institutions, the 1455 Department of Health, the Department of Human Resource Management, the Department of 1456 Workforce Services, the Labor Commission, the National Guard, the Department of Insurance, 1457 the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Public Safety, the Public Service 1458 Commission, the Department of Human Services, the State Tax Commission, the Department 1459 of Technology Services, the Department of Transportation, any other major administrative 1460 subdivisions of state government, the State Board of Education, the State Board of Regents, the 1461 Utah Housing Corporation, [the Workers' Compensation Fund,] the State Retirement Board,

and each institution of higher education within the system of higher education.

- (3) "Division" means the Division of Emergency Management established in Title 53, Chapter 2a, Part 1, Emergency Management Act.
- (4) "Emergency interim successor" means a person designated by this part to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of an office when the person legally exercising the powers and duties of the office is unavailable.
- (5) "Executive director" means the person with ultimate responsibility for managing and overseeing the operations of each department, however denominated.
- (6) (a) "Office" includes all state and local offices, the powers and duties of which are defined by constitution, statutes, charters, optional plans, ordinances, articles, or by-laws.
  - (b) "Office" does not include the office of governor or the legislative or judicial offices.
- (7) "Place of governance" means the physical location where the powers of an office are being exercised.
- (8) "Political subdivision" includes counties, cities, towns, metro townships, districts, authorities, and other public corporations and entities whether organized and existing under charter or general law.
- (9) "Political subdivision officer" means a person holding an office in a political subdivision.
- (10) "State officer" means the attorney general, the state treasurer, the state auditor, and the executive director of each department.
  - (11) "Unavailable" means:

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1483 (a) absent from the place of governance during a disaster that seriously disrupts normal governmental operations, whether or not that absence or inability would give rise to a vacancy

1485	under existing constitutional or statutory provisions; or
1486	(b) as otherwise defined by local ordinance.
1487	Section 27. Section <b>58-55-302.5</b> is amended to read:
1488	58-55-302.5. Continuing education requirements for contractor licensees
1489	Continuing education courses.
1490	(1) Each contractor licensee under a license issued under this chapter shall complete
1491	six hours of approved continuing education during each two-year renewal cycle established by
1492	rule under Subsection 58-55-303(1).
1493	(2) (a) The commission shall, with the concurrence of the division, establish by rule a
1494	program of approved continuing education for contractor licensees.
1495	(b) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(e), beginning on or after June 1, 2015, only
1496	courses offered by any of the following may be included in the program of approved continuing
1497	education for contractor licensees:
1498	(i) the Associated General Contractors of Utah;
1499	(ii) Associated Builders and Contractors, Utah Chapter;
1500	(iii) the Home Builders Association of Utah;
1501	(iv) the National Electrical Contractors Association Intermountain Chapter;
1502	(v) the Utah Plumbing & Heating Contractors Association;
1503	(vi) the Independent Electrical Contractors of Utah;
1504	(vii) the Rocky Mountain Gas Association;
1505	(viii) the Utah Mechanical Contractors Association;
1506	(ix) the Sheet Metal Contractors Association;
1507	(x) the Intermountain Electrical Association;
1508	(xi) the Builders Bid Service of Utah; or
1509	(xii) Utah Roofing Contractors Association.
1510	(c) An approved continuing education program for a contractor licensee may include a
1511	course approved by an entity described in Subsections (2)(b)(i) through (2)(b)(iii).
1512	(d) (i) Except as provided in Subsections (2)(d)(ii) and (iii), an entity listed in
1513	Subsections (2)(b)(iv) through (2)(b)(xii) may only offer and market continuing education
1514	courses to a licensee who is a member of the entity.
1515	(ii) An entity described in Subsection (2)(b)(iv), (vi), or (x) may offer and market a

1516	continuing education course that the entity offers to satisfy the continuing education
1517	requirement described in Subsection 58-55-302.7(2)(a) to a contractor in the electrical trade.
1518	(iii) An entity described in Subsection (2)(b)(v) or (viii) may offer and market a
1519	continuing education course that the entity offers to satisfy the continuing education
1520	requirement described in Subsection 58-55-302.7(2)(b) to a contractor in the plumbing trade.
1521	(e) On or after June 1, 2015, an approved continuing education program for a
1522	contractor licensee may include a course offered and taught by:
1523	(i) a state executive branch agency;
1524	(ii) the [Workers' Compensation Fund created in Section 31A-33-102] workers'
1525	compensation insurance carrier that provides workers' compensation insurance under Section
1526	31A-22-1001; or
1527	(iii) a nationally or regionally accredited college or university that has a physical
1528	campus in the state.
1529	(3) The division may contract with a person to establish and maintain a continuing
1530	education registry to include:
1531	(a) a list of courses that the division has approved for inclusion in the program of
1532	approved continuing education; and
1533	(b) a list of courses that:
1534	(i) a contractor licensee has completed under the program of approved continuing
1535	education; and
1536	(ii) the licensee may access to monitor the licensee's compliance with the continuing
1537	education requirement established under Subsection (1).
1538	(4) The division may charge a fee, as established by the division under Section
1539	63J-1-504, to administer the requirements of this section.
1540	Section 28. Section <b>59-9-101</b> is amended to read:
1541	59-9-101. Tax basis Rates Exemptions Rate reductions.
1542	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), (1)(d), or (5), an admitted insurer shall
1543	pay to the commission on or before March 31 in each year, a tax of 2-1/4% of the total
1544	premiums received by it during the preceding calendar year from insurance covering property
1545	or risks located in this state.
1546	(b) This Subsection (1) does not apply to:

1547	(i) workers' compensation insurance, assessed under Subsection (2);
1548	(ii) title insurance premiums taxed under Subsection (3);
1549	(iii) annuity considerations;
1550	(iv) insurance premiums paid by an institution within the state system of higher
1551	education as specified in Section 53B-1-102; and
1552	(v) ocean marine insurance.
1553	(c) The taxable premium under this Subsection (1) shall be reduced by:
1554	(i) the premiums returned or credited to policyholders on direct business subject to tax
1555	in this state;
1556	(ii) the premiums received for reinsurance of property or risks located in this state; and
1557	(iii) the dividends, including premium reduction benefits maturing within the year:
1558	(A) paid or credited to policyholders in this state; or
1559	(B) applied in abatement or reduction of premiums due during the preceding calendar
1560	year.
1561	(d) (i) For purposes of this Subsection (1)(d):
1562	(A) "Utah variable life insurance premium" means an insurance premium paid:
1563	(I) by:
1564	(Aa) a corporation; or
1565	(Bb) a trust established or funded by a corporation; and
1566	(II) for variable life insurance covering risks located within the state.
1567	(B) "Variable life insurance" means an insurance policy that provides for life
1568	insurance, the amount or duration of which varies according to the investment experience of
1569	one or more separate accounts that are established and maintained by the insurer pursuant to
1570	Title 31A, Insurance Code.
1571	(ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(a), beginning on January 1, 2006, the tax on that
1572	portion of the total premiums subject to a tax under Subsection (1)(a) that is a Utah variable
1573	life insurance premium shall be calculated as follows:
1574	(A) 2-1/4% of the first \$100,000 of Utah variable life insurance premiums:
1575	(I) paid for each variable life insurance policy; and
1576	(II) received by the admitted insurer in the preceding calendar year; and
1577	(B) 0.08% of the Utah variable life insurance premiums that exceed \$100,000:

1578 (I) paid for the policy described in Subsection (1)(d)(ii)(A)
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- 1579 (II) received by the admitted insurer in the preceding calendar year.
  - (2) (a) An admitted insurer writing workers' compensation insurance in this state[; including the Workers' Compensation Fund created under Title 31A, Chapter 33, Workers' Compensation Fund,] shall pay to the tax commission, on or before March 31 in each year, a premium assessment on the basis of the total workers' compensation premium income received by the insurer from workers' compensation insurance in this state during the preceding calendar year as follows:
    - (i) on or before December 31, 2010, an amount of equal to or greater than 1%, but equal to or less than 5.75% of the total workers' compensation premium income described in this Subsection (2);
  - (ii) on and after January 1, 2011, but on or before December 31, 2017, an amount of equal to or greater than 1%, but equal to or less than 4.25% of the total workers' compensation premium income described in this Subsection (2); and
  - (iii) on and after January 1, 2018, an amount equal to 1.25% of the total workers' compensation premium income described in this Subsection (2).
  - (b) Total workers' compensation premium income means the net written premium as calculated before any premium reduction for any insured employer's deductible, retention, or reimbursement amounts and also those amounts equivalent to premiums as provided in Section 34A-2-202.
  - (c) The percentage of premium assessment applicable for a calendar year shall be determined by the Labor Commission under Subsection (2)(d). The total premium income shall be reduced in the same manner as provided in Subsections (1)(c)(i) and (1)(c)(ii), but not as provided in Subsection (1)(c)(iii). The commission shall promptly remit from the premium assessment collected under this Subsection (2):
  - (i) income to the state treasurer for credit to the Employers' Reinsurance Fund created under Subsection 34A-2-702(1) as follows:
  - (A) on or before December 31, 2009, an amount of up to 5% of the total workers' compensation premium income;
- 1607 (B) on and after January 1, 2010, but on or before December 31, 2010, an amount of up to 4.5% of the total workers' compensation premium income;

(C) on and after January 1, 2011, but on or before December 31, 2017, an amount of up to 3% of the total workers' compensation premium income; and

(D) on and after January 1, 2018, 0% of the total workers' compensation premium income;

- (ii) an amount equal to 0.25% of the total workers' compensation premium income to the state treasurer for credit to the Workplace Safety Account created by Section 34A-2-701;
- (iii) an amount of up to 0.5% and any remaining assessed percentage of the total workers' compensation premium income to the state treasurer for credit to the Uninsured Employers' Fund created under Section 34A-2-704; and
- (iv) beginning on January 1, 2010, 0.5% of the total workers' compensation premium income to the state treasurer for credit to the Industrial Accident Restricted Account created in Section 34A-2-705.
- (d) (i) The Labor Commission shall determine the amount of the premium assessment for each year on or before each October 15 of the preceding year. The Labor Commission shall make this determination following a public hearing. The determination shall be based upon the recommendations of a qualified actuary.
- (ii) The actuary shall recommend a premium assessment rate sufficient to provide payments of benefits and expenses from the Employers' Reinsurance Fund and to project a funded condition with assets greater than liabilities by no later than June 30, 2025.
- (iii) The actuary shall recommend a premium assessment rate sufficient to provide payments of benefits and expenses from the Uninsured Employers' Fund and to maintain it at a funded condition with assets equal to or greater than liabilities.
- (iv) At the end of each fiscal year the minimum approximate assets in the Employers' Reinsurance Fund shall be \$5,000,000 which amount shall be adjusted each year beginning in 1990 by multiplying by the ratio that the total workers' compensation premium income for the preceding calendar year bears to the total workers' compensation premium income for the calendar year 1988.
- (v) The requirements of Subsection (2)(d)(iv) cease when the future annual disbursements from the Employers' Reinsurance Fund are projected to be less than the calculations of the corresponding future minimum required assets. The Labor Commission shall, after a public hearing, determine if the future annual disbursements are less than the

corresponding future minimum required assets from projections provided by the actuary.

- (vi) At the end of each fiscal year the minimum approximate assets in the Uninsured Employers' Fund shall be \$2,000,000, which amount shall be adjusted each year beginning in 1990 by multiplying by the ratio that the total workers' compensation premium income for the preceding calendar year bears to the total workers' compensation premium income for the calendar year 1988.
- (e) A premium assessment that is to be transferred into the General Fund may be collected on premiums received from Utah public agencies.
- (3) An admitted insurer writing title insurance in this state shall pay to the commission, on or before March 31 in each year, a tax of .45% of the total premium received by either the insurer or by its agents during the preceding calendar year from title insurance concerning property located in this state. In calculating this tax, "premium" includes the charges made to an insured under or to an applicant for a policy or contract of title insurance for:
- (a) the assumption by the title insurer of the risks assumed by the issuance of the policy or contract of title insurance; and
- (b) abstracting title, title searching, examining title, or determining the insurability of title, and every other activity, exclusive of escrow, settlement, or closing charges, whether denominated premium or otherwise, made by a title insurer, an agent of a title insurer, a title insurance producer, or any of them.
- (4) Beginning July 1, 1986, a former county mutual and a former mutual benefit association shall pay the premium tax or assessment due under this chapter. Premiums received after July 1, 1986, shall be considered in determining the tax or assessment.
- (5) The following insurers are not subject to the premium tax on health care insurance that would otherwise be applicable under Subsection (1):
- (a) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 5, Domestic Stock and Mutual Insurance Corporations;
- (b) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 7, Nonprofit Health Service Insurance Corporations;
- (c) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 8, Health Maintenance Organizations and Limited Health Plans;
  - (d) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 9, Insurance Fraternals;

1671	(e) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 11, Motor Clubs; and
1672	[(f) an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 13, Employee Welfare Funds and
1673	Plans; and]
1674	[ <del>(g)</del> ] <u>(f)</u> an insurer licensed under Title 31A, Chapter 14, Foreign Insurers.
1675	(6) An insurer issuing multiple policies to an insured may not artificially allocate the
1676	premiums among the policies for purposes of reducing the aggregate premium tax or
1677	assessment applicable to the policies.
1678	(7) The retaliatory provisions of Title 31A, Chapter 3, Department Funding, Fees, and
1679	Taxes, apply to the tax or assessment imposed under this chapter.
1680	Section 29. Section <b>63A-3-401</b> is amended to read:
1681	63A-3-401. Definitions.
1682	As used in this part:
1683	(1) "Board" means the Utah Transparency Advisory Board created under Section
1684	63A-3-403.
1685	(2) "Division" means the Division of Finance of the Department of Administrative
1686	Services.
1687	(3) (a) "Independent entity," except as provided in Subsection (3)(c), means the same
1688	as that term is defined in Section 63E-1-102.
1689	(b) "Independent entity" includes an entity that is part of an independent entity
1690	described in this Subsection (3), if the entity is considered a component unit of the independent
1691	entity under the governmental accounting standards issued by the Governmental Accounting
1692	Standards Board.
1693	(c) "Independent entity" does not include[: (i) the Workers' Compensation Fund
1694	created in Section 31A-33-102; or (ii)] the Utah State Retirement Office created in Section
1695	49-11-201.
1696	(4) "Participating local entity" means each of the following local entities:
1697	(a) a county;
1698	(b) a municipality;
1699	(c) a local district under Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Local
1700	Districts;
1701	(d) a special service district under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act;

1702	(e) a school district;
1703	(f) a charter school;
1704	(g) except for a taxed interlocal entity as defined in Section 11-13-602, an interlocal
1705	entity as defined in Section 11-13-103; and
1706	(h) except for a taxed interlocal entity as defined in Section 11-13-602, an entity that is
1707	part of an entity described in Subsections (4)(a) through (g), if the entity is considered a
1708	component unit of the entity described in Subsections (4)(a) through (g) under the
1709	governmental accounting standards issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.
1710	(5) (a) "Participating state entity" means the state of Utah, including its executive,
1711	legislative, and judicial branches, its departments, divisions, agencies, boards, commissions,
1712	councils, committees, and institutions.
1713	(b) "Participating state entity" includes an entity that is part of an entity described in
1714	Subsection (5)(a), if the entity is considered a component unit of the entity described in
1715	Subsection (5)(a) under the governmental accounting standards issued by the Governmental
1716	Accounting Standards Board.
1717	(6) "Public financial information" means records that are required to be made available
1718	on the Utah Public Finance Website, a participating local entity's website, or an independent
1719	entity's website as required by this part, and as the term "public financial information" is
1720	defined by rule under Section 63A-3-404.
1721	Section 30. Section <b>63E-1-102</b> is amended to read:
1722	63E-1-102. Definitions List of independent entities.
1723	As used in this title:
1724	(1) "Authorizing statute" means the statute creating an entity as an independent entity.
1725	(2) "Committee" means the Retirement and Independent Entities Committee created by
1726	Section 63E-1-201.
1727	(3) "Independent corporation" means a corporation incorporated in accordance with
1728	Chapter 2, Independent Corporations Act.
1729	(4) (a) "Independent entity" means an entity having a public purpose relating to the
1730	state or its citizens that is individually created by the state or is given by the state the right to
1731	exist and conduct its affairs as an:

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(i) independent state agency; or

1733	(ii) independent corporation.
1734	(b) "Independent entity" includes the:
1735	(i) Utah Dairy Commission created by Section 4-22-2;
1736	(ii) Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority created by Section 63H-4-102;
1737	(iii) Utah State Railroad Museum Authority created by Section 63H-5-102;
1738	(iv) Utah Housing Corporation created by Section 63H-8-201;
1739	(v) Utah State Fair Corporation created by Section 63H-6-103;
1740	[(vi) Workers' Compensation Fund created by Section 31A-33-102;]
1741	[(vii)] (vi) Utah State Retirement Office created by Section 49-11-201;
1742	[(viii)] (vii) School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration created by Section
1743	53C-1-201;
1744	[(ix)] (viii) School and Institutional Trust Fund Office created by Section 53D-1-201;
1745	[(x)] (ix) Utah Communications Authority created by Section [63N-6-201]
1746	<u>63H-7a-201;</u>
1747	[(xi)] (x) Utah Energy Infrastructure Authority created by Section 63H-2-201;
1748	[(xii)] (xi) Utah Capital Investment Corporation created by Section 63N-6-301; and
1749	[(xiii)] (xii) Military Installation Development Authority created by Section
1750	63H-1-201.
1751	(c) Notwithstanding this Subsection (4), "independent entity" does not include:
1752	(i) the Public Service Commission of Utah created by Section 54-1-1;
1753	(ii) an institution within the state system of higher education;
1754	(iii) a city, county, or town;
1755	(iv) a local school district;
1756	(v) a local district under Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Local
1757	Districts; or
1758	(vi) a special service district under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act.
1759	(5) "Independent state agency" means an entity that is created by the state, but is
1760	independent of the governor's direct supervisory control.
1761	(6) "Money held in trust" means money maintained for the benefit of:
1762	(a) one or more private individuals, including public employees;
1763	(b) one or more public or private entities; or

1/04	(c) the owners of a quasi-public corporation.
1765	(7) "Public corporation" means an artificial person, public in ownership, individually
1766	created by the state as a body politic and corporate for the administration of a public purpose
1767	relating to the state or its citizens.
1768	(8) "Quasi-public corporation" means an artificial person, private in ownership,
1769	individually created as a corporation by the state, which has accepted from the state the grant of
1770	a franchise or contract involving the performance of a public purpose relating to the state or its
1771	citizens.
1772	Section 31. Section <b>63E-1-203</b> is amended to read:
1773	63E-1-203. Exemptions from committee activities.
1774	Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Part 2, Retirement and Independent
1775	Entities Committee, and Subsection 63E-1-102(4), the [following independent entities are]
1776	<u>Utah Housing Corporation created in Section 63H-8-201 is</u> exempt from the study by the
1777	committee under Section 63E-1-202[:].
1778	[(1) the Workers' Compensation Fund created in Title 31A, Chapter 33, Workers'
1779	Compensation Fund; and]
1780	[(2) the Utah Housing Corporation created in Section 63H-8-201.]
1781	Section 32. Section <b>63I-4a-102</b> is amended to read:
1782	63I-4a-102. Definitions.
1783	(1) (a) "Activity" means to provide a good or service.
1784	(b) "Activity" includes to:
1785	(i) manufacture a good or service;
1786	(ii) process a good or service;
1787	(iii) sell a good or service;
1788	(iv) offer for sale a good or service;
1789	(v) rent a good or service;
1790	(vi) lease a good or service;
1791	(vii) deliver a good or service;
1792	(viii) distribute a good or service; or
1793	(ix) advertise a good or service.
1794	(2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), "agency" means:

1/95	(1) the state; or
1796	(ii) an entity of the state including a department, office, division, authority,
1797	commission, or board.
1798	(b) "Agency" does not include:
1799	(i) the Legislature;
1800	(ii) an entity or agency of the Legislature;
1801	(iii) the state auditor;
1802	(iv) the state treasurer;
1803	(v) the Office of the Attorney General;
1804	(vi) the Utah Dairy Commission created in Section 4-22-2;
1805	(vii) the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority created in Section 63H-4-102;
1806	(viii) the Utah State Railroad Museum Authority created in Section 63H-5-102;
1807	(ix) the Utah Housing Corporation created in Section 63H-8-201;
1808	(x) the Utah State Fair Corporation created in Section 63H-6-103;
1809	[(xi) the Workers' Compensation Fund created in Section 31A-33-102;]
1810	[(xii)] (xi) the Utah State Retirement Office created in Section 49-11-201;
1811	[(xiii)] (xii) a charter school chartered by the State Charter School Board or a board of
1812	trustees of a higher education institution under Title 53A, Chapter 1a, Part 5, The Utah Charter
1813	Schools Act;
1814	[(xiv)] (xiii) the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind created in Title 53A, Chapter
1815	25b, Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind;
1816	[(xv)] (xiv) an institution of higher education as defined in Section 53B-3-102;
1817	[(xvi)] (xv) the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration created in Section
1818	53C-1-201;
1819	[(xvii)] (xvi) the Utah Communications Authority created in Section 63H-7a-201; or
1820	[(xviii)] (xvii) the Utah Capital Investment Corporation created in Section 63N-6-301.
1821	(3) "Agency head" means the chief administrative officer of an agency.
1822	(4) "Board" means the Free Market Protection and Privatization Board created in
1823	Section 63I-4a-202.
1824	(5) "Commercial activity" means to engage in an activity that can be obtained in whole
1825	or in part from a private enterprise.

1826	(b) "Local entity" means:
1827	(a) a political subdivision of the state, including a:
1828	(i) county;
1829	(ii) city;
1830	(iii) town;
1831	(iv) local school district;
1832	(v) local district; or
1833	(vi) special service district;
1834	(b) an agency of an entity described in this Subsection (6), including a department,
1835	office, division, authority, commission, or board; or
1836	(c) an entity created by an interlocal cooperative agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13,
1837	Interlocal Cooperation Act, between two or more entities described in this Subsection (6).
1838	(7) "Private enterprise" means a person that engages in an activity for profit.
1839	(8) "Privatize" means that an activity engaged in by an agency is transferred so that a
1840	private enterprise engages in the activity, including a transfer by:
1841	(a) contract;
1842	(b) transfer of property; or
1843	(c) another arrangement.
1844	(9) "Special district" means:
1845	(a) a local district, as defined in Section 17B-1-102;
1846	(b) a special service district, as defined in Section 17D-1-102; or
1847	(c) a conservation district, as defined in Section 17D-3-102.
1848	Section 33. Section <b>63J-2-102</b> is amended to read:
1849	63J-2-102. Definitions.
1850	As used in this chapter:
1851	(1) (a) "Agency" means each department, commission, board, council, agency,
1852	institution, officer, corporation, fund, division, office, committee, authority, laboratory, library,
1853	unit, bureau, panel, or other administrative unit of the state.
1854	(b) "Agency" does not include the legislative branch, the board of regents, the Utah
1855	Higher Education Assistance Authority, the board of trustees of each higher education
1856	institution, each higher education institution and its associated branches, centers, divisions,

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1857	institutes, foundations, hospitals, colleges, schools, or departments, a public education entity,
1858	or an independent agency.
1859	(2) (a) "Dedicated credits revenues" means revenues from collections by an agency that
1860	are deposited directly into an account for expenditure on a separate line item and program.
1861	(b) "Dedicated credits <u>revenues</u> " does not mean:
1862	(i) federal revenues and the related pass through or the related state match paid by one
1863	agency to another;
1864	(ii) revenues that are not deposited in governmental funds; or
1865	(iii) revenues from any contracts.
1866	(3) "Fees" means revenue collected by an agency for performing a service or providing
1867	a function that the agency deposits or accounts for as dedicated credits or fixed collections.
1868	(4) (a) "Fixed collections revenues" means revenue from collections:
1869	(i) fixed by law or by the appropriation act at a specific amount; and
1870	(ii) required by law to be deposited into a separate line item and program.
1871	(b) "Fixed collections <u>revenues</u> " does not mean:
1872	(i) federal revenues and the related pass through or the related state match paid by one
1873	agency to another;
1874	(ii) revenues that are not deposited in governmental funds;
1875	(iii) revenues from any contracts; and
1876	(iv) revenues received by the Attorney General's Office from billings for professional
1877	services.
1878	(5) (a) "Governmental fund" means funds used to account for the acquisition, use, and
1879	balances of expendable financial resources and related liabilities using a measurement focus
1880	that emphasizes the flow of financial resources.
1881	(b) "Governmental fund" does not include internal service funds, enterprise funds,
1882	capital projects funds, debt service funds, or trust and agency funds as established in Section
1883	51-5-4.
1884	(6) "Independent agency" means the Utah State Retirement Office[7] and the Utah

(7) "Program" means the function or service provided by an agency for which the

Housing Corporation[, and the Workers' Compensation Fund].

1888	(8) "Revenue types" means the categories established by the Division of Finance under
1889	the authority of this chapter that classify revenue according to the purpose for which it is
1890	collected.
1891	Section 34. Section <b>63J-7-102</b> is amended to read:
1892	63J-7-102. Scope and applicability of chapter.
1893	(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), and except as otherwise provided by a statute
1894	superseding provisions of this chapter by explicit reference to this chapter, the provisions of
1895	this chapter apply to each agency and govern each grant received on or after May 5, 2008.
1896	(2) This chapter does not govern:
1897	(a) a grant deposited into a General Fund restricted account;
1898	(b) a grant deposited into a Trust and Agency Fund as defined in Section 51-5-4;
1899	(c) a grant deposited into an Enterprise Fund as defined in Section 51-5-4;
1900	(d) a grant made to the state without a restriction or other designated purpose that is
1901	deposited into the General Fund as free revenue;
1902	(e) a grant made to the state that is restricted only to "education" and that is deposited
1903	into the Education Fund or Uniform School Fund as free revenue;
1904	(f) in-kind donations;
1905	(g) a tax, fees, penalty, fine, surcharge, money judgment, or other money due the state
1906	when required by state law or application of state law;
1907	(h) a contribution made under Title 59, Chapter 10, Part 13, Individual Income Tax
1908	Contribution Act;
1909	(i) a grant received by an agency from another agency or political subdivision;
1910	(j) a grant to the Utah Dairy Commission created in Section 4-22-2;
1911	(k) a grant to the Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority created in Section
1912	63H-4-102;
1913	(l) a grant to the Utah State Railroad Museum Authority created in Section 63H-5-102;
1914	(m) a grant to the Utah Housing Corporation created in Section 63H-8-201;
1915	(n) a grant to the Utah State Fair Corporation created in Section 63H-6-103;
1916	[(o) a grant to the Workers' Compensation Fund created in Section 31A-33-102;]
1917	[ <del>(p)</del> ] <u>(o)</u> a grant to the Utah State Retirement Office created in Section 49-11-201;
1918	[(q)] (p) a grant to the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration created in

1919	Section 33C-1-201;
1920	[(r)] (q) a grant to the Utah Communications Authority created in Section 63H-7a-201;
1921	[(s)] (r) a grant to the Medical Education Program created in Section 53B-24-202;
1922	[(t)] (s) a grant to the Utah Capital Investment Corporation created in Section
1923	63N-6-301;
1924	[(u)] (t) a grant to the Utah Charter School Finance Authority created in Section
1925	53A-20b-103;
1926	[(v)] (u) a grant to the State Building Ownership Authority created in Section
1927	63B-1-304;
1928	[(w)] (v) a grant to the Utah Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool created in Section
1929	31A-29-104; or
1930	[(x)] (w) a grant to the Military Installation Development Authority created in Section
1931	63H-1-201.
1932	(3) An agency need not seek legislative review or approval of grants under Part 2,
1933	Grant Approval Requirements, if:
1934	(a) the governor has declared a state of emergency; and
1935	(b) the grant is donated to the agency to assist victims of the state of emergency under
1936	Subsection 53-2a-204(1).
1937	Section 35. Section 67-4-2 is amended to read:
1938	67-4-2. Definitions.
1939	As used in this chapter:
1940	(1) "Federal funds" means cash received from the United States government or from
1941	other individuals or entities for or on behalf of the United States and deposited with the state
1942	treasurer or any agency of the state.
1943	(2) "General Fund" means money received into the treasury and not specially
1944	appropriated to any other fund.
1945	(3) "Maintain custody" means to direct the safekeeping and investment of state funds.
1946	(4) (a) "State entity" means each department, commission, board, council, agency,
1947	institution, officer, corporation, fund, division, office, committee, authority, laboratory, library,
1948	unit, bureau, panel, or other administrative unit of the state.
1949	(b) "State entity" includes independent state agencies and public corporations.

1950 (5) (a) "State funds" means funds that are owned, held, or administered by a state 1951 entity, regardless of the source of the funds. 1952 (b) "State funds" includes funds of independent state agencies or public corporations. 1953 regardless of the source of funds. 1954 (c) "State funds" does not include funds held by the Utah State Retirement Board [or 1955 the Workers' Compensation Fund]. 1956 (6) "Warrant" means an order in a specific amount drawn upon the treasurer by the 1957 Division of Finance or another state agency. 1958 Section 36. Repealer. 1959 This bill repeals: 1960 Section 31A-33-101, Definitions. 1961 Section 31A-33-102, Establishment of the Workers' Compensation Fund and the 1962 Injury Fund. 1963 Section 31A-33-103, Legal nature of Workers' Compensation Fund. 1964 Section 31A-33-103.5, Powers of fund -- Limitations. 1965 Section 31A-33-104, Workers' Compensation Fund exempted. 1966 Section 31A-33-105, Price of insurance -- Liability of state. 1967 Section 31A-33-106, Board of directors -- Status of the fund in relationship to the 1968 state. 1969 Section 31A-33-107, Duties of board -- Creation of subsidiaries -- Entering into 1970 joint enterprises. Section 31A-33-108, Powers and duties of chief executive officer. 1971 1972 Section 31A-33-109, Liability limited. 1973 Section 31A-33-110, Audits and examinations required. 1974 Section 31A-33-111, Adoption of rates. 1975 Section 31A-33-112, Withdrawal of policyholders. 1976 Section 31A-33-113, Cancellation of policies. 1977 Section 31A-33-114, Premium assessment. 1978 Section 31A-33-115, Interest and costs of collecting delinquent premium. 1979 Section 31A-33-116, Dividends. 1980 Section 31A-33-117, Availability of employers' reports.

Section 31A-33-118, Scope of chapter.Section 37. Effective date.

(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect on December 31, 2017.

(2) Section 31A-22-1014 enacted in this bill takes effect on May 9, 2017.

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Section 38. **Revisor instructions.**The Legislature intends that the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, in preparing the Utah Code database for publication, replace the phrase "this bill" in Subsections 31A-22-1001(1), 31A-22-1014(1), and 49-11-624(1) with the bill's designated chapter number in the Laws of Utah.

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